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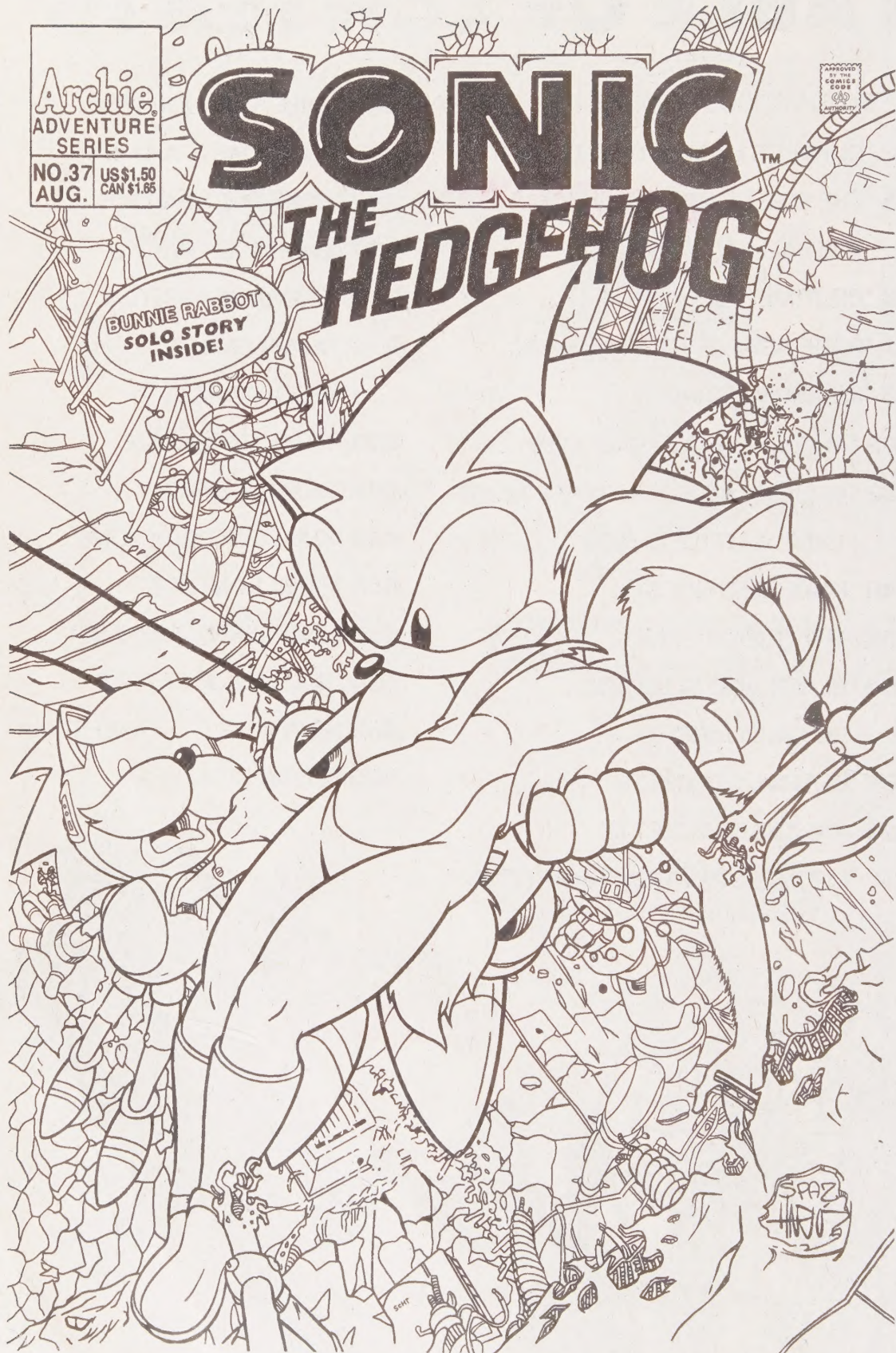
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IN ROBOTROPOLIS WHERE
UNCLE CHUCK ASKED
TO MEET US. WHERE IS
HE, NICOLE?

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UNKNOWN,
SALLY.

CHILL,
SAL! HE'LL
SHOW...

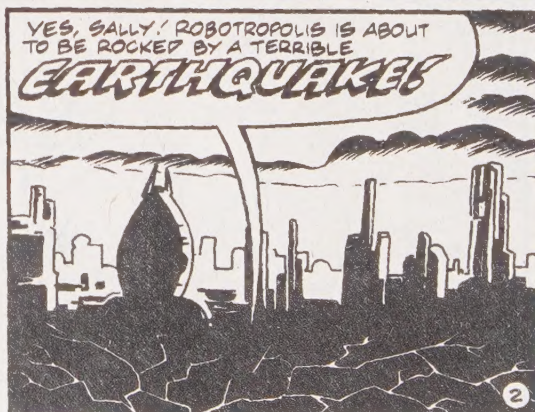
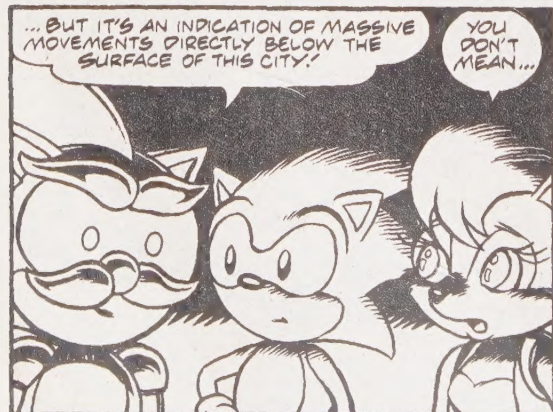
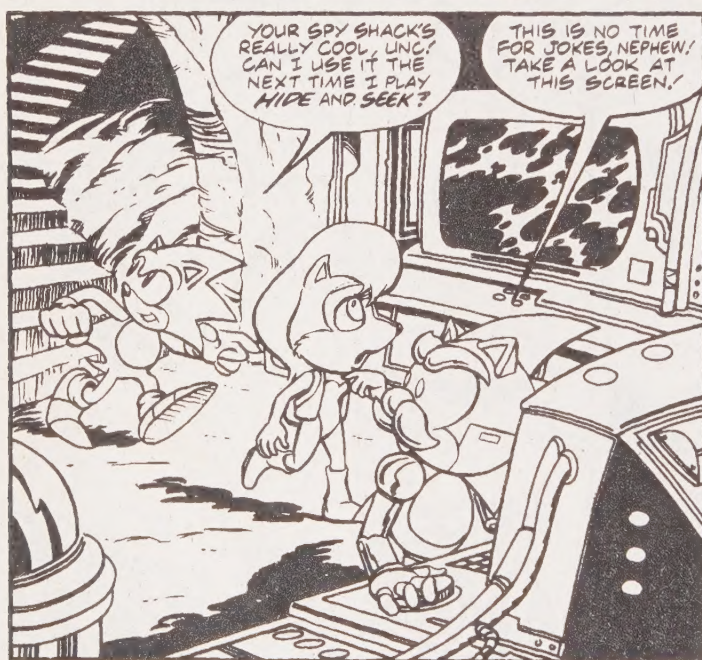
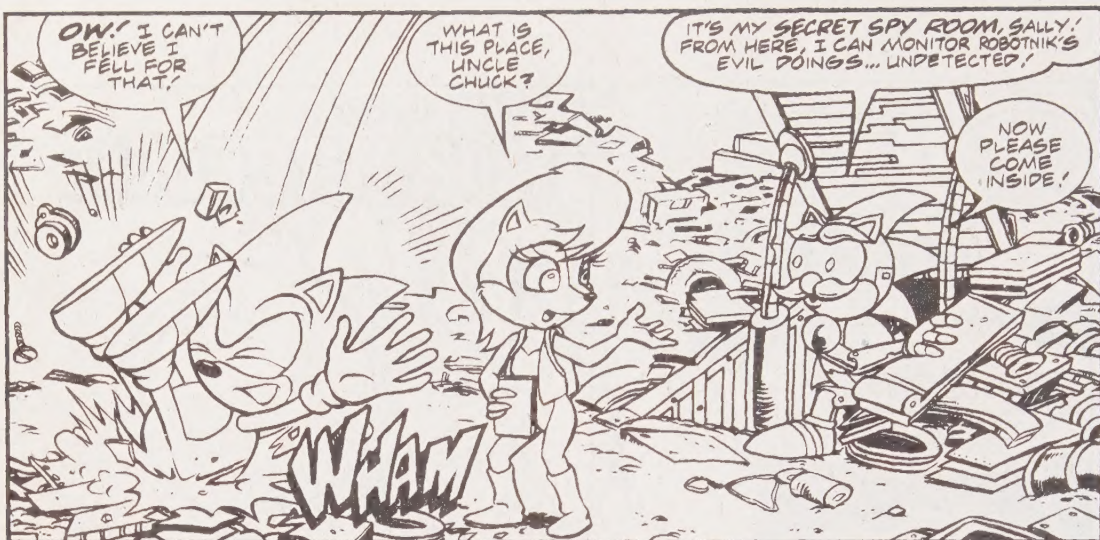
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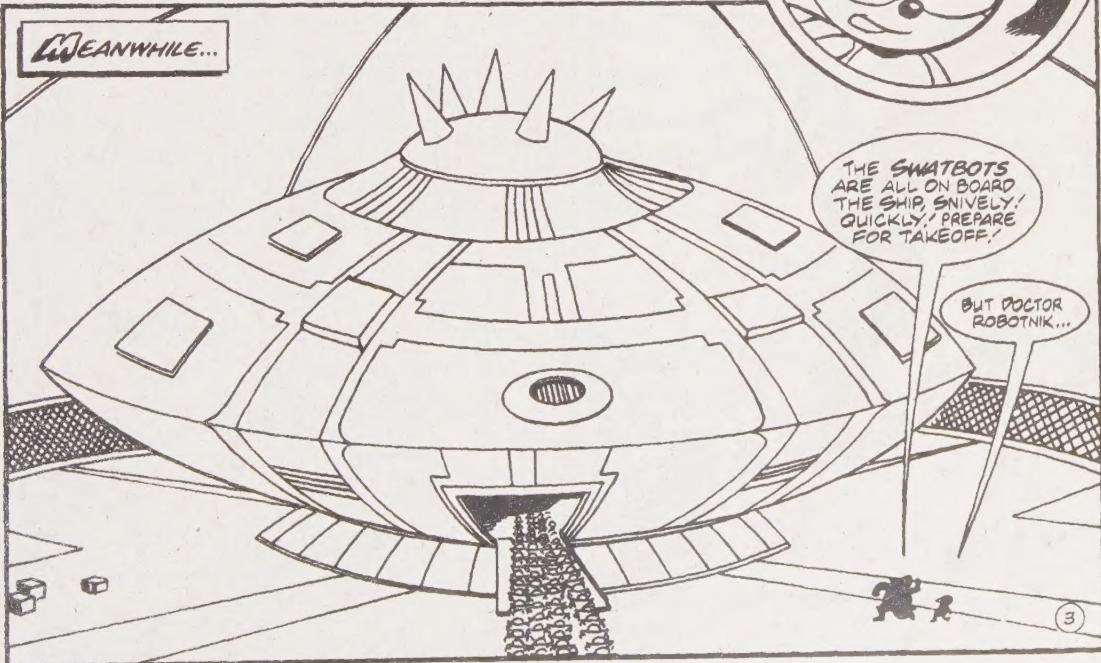
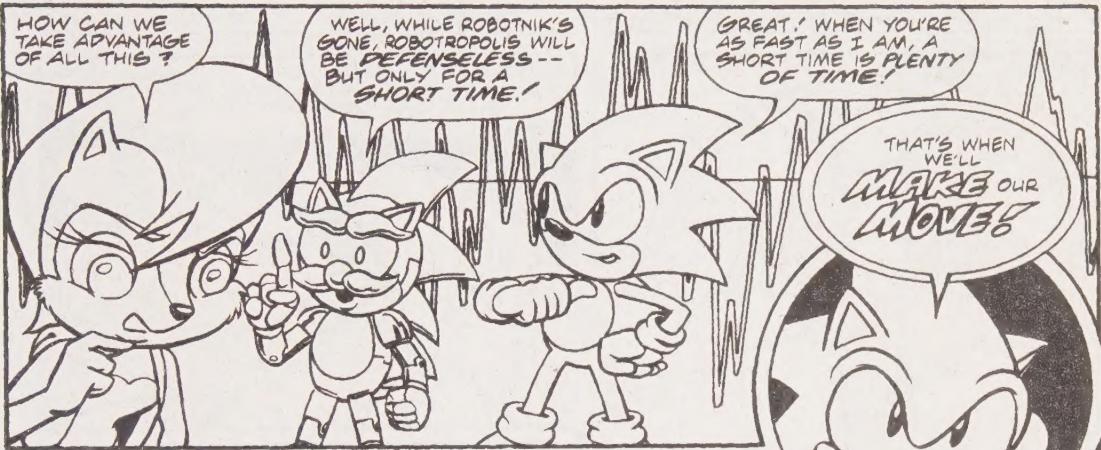
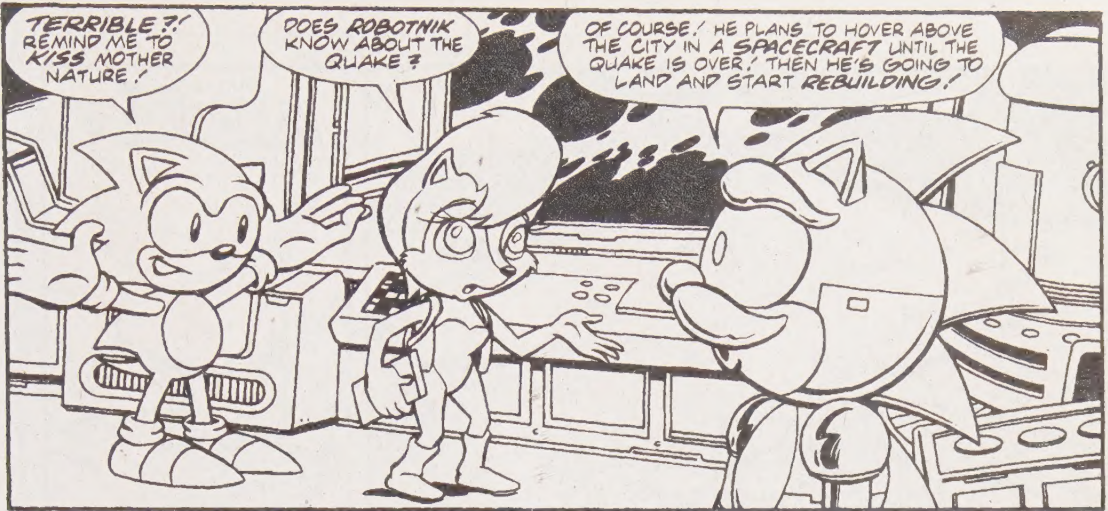
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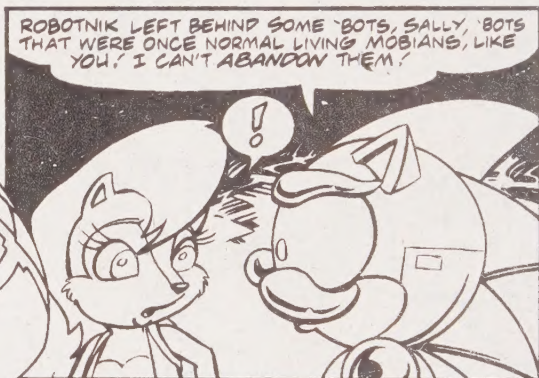
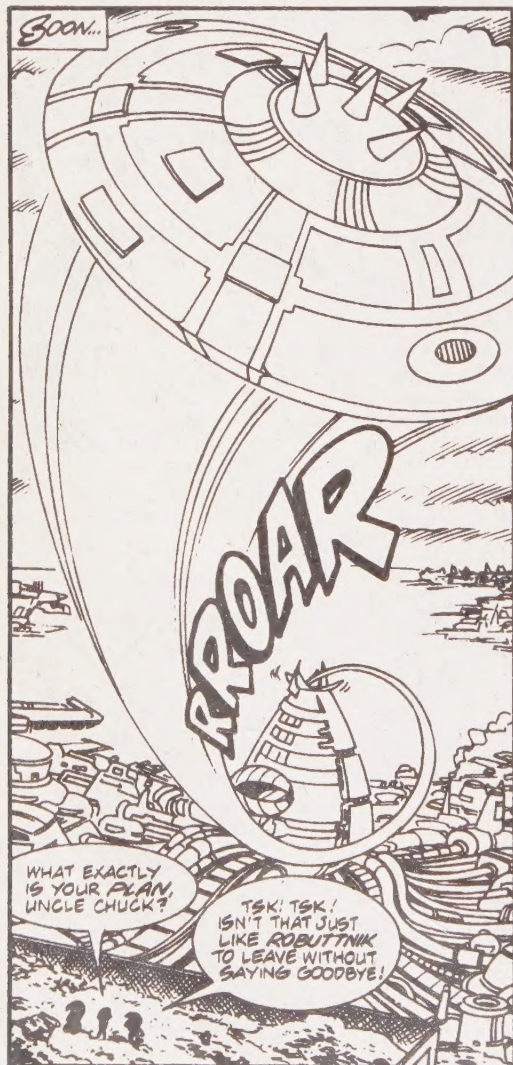
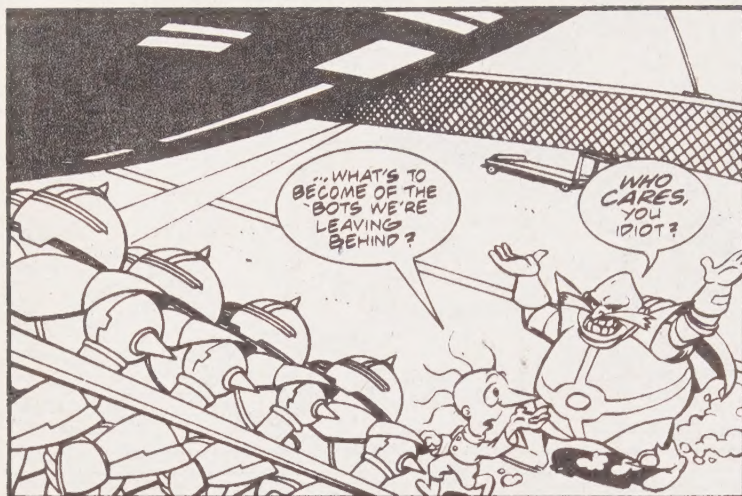
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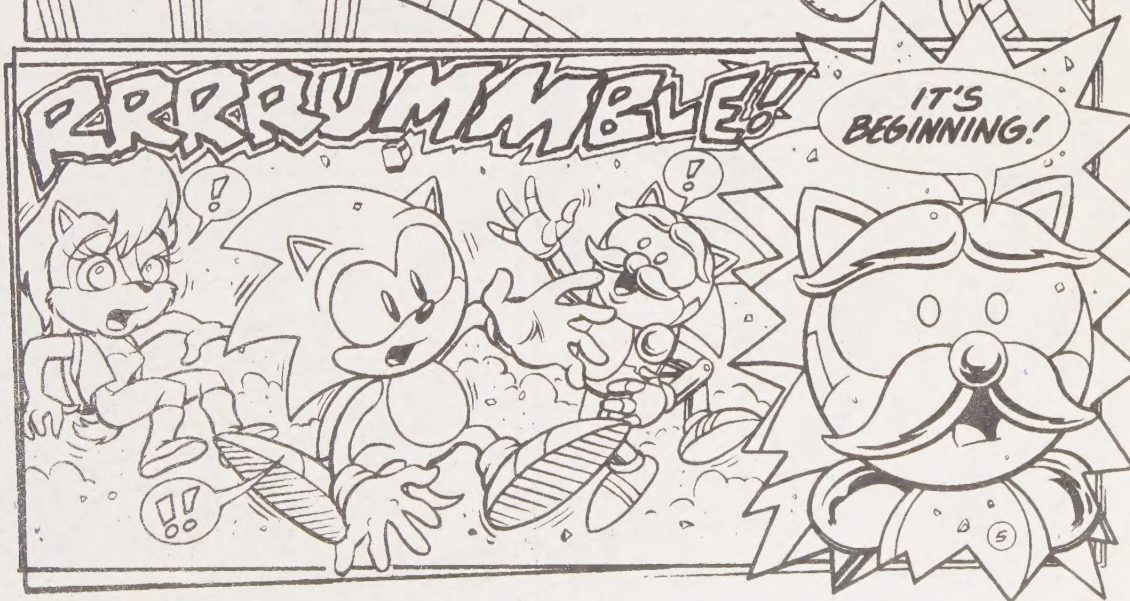
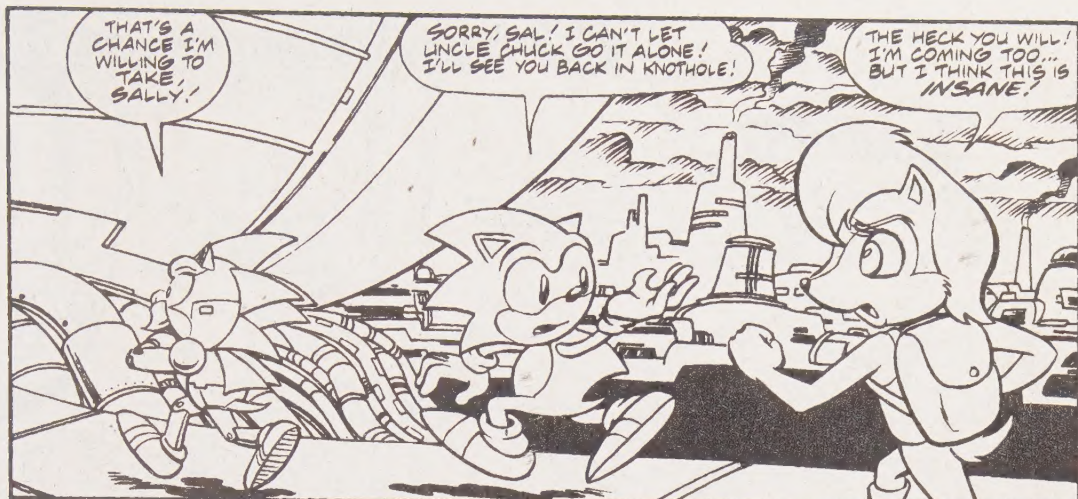
BAM
SPONG

OOPS! SORRY,
NEPHEW! I DIDN'T
KNOW YOU WERE
STANDING SO CLOSE
TO THE DOOR!









SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

THANK GOODNESS THAT
TREMOR OPENED A HOLE
IN THE WALL LARGE
ENOUGH FOR US TO
SQUEEZE THROUGH!

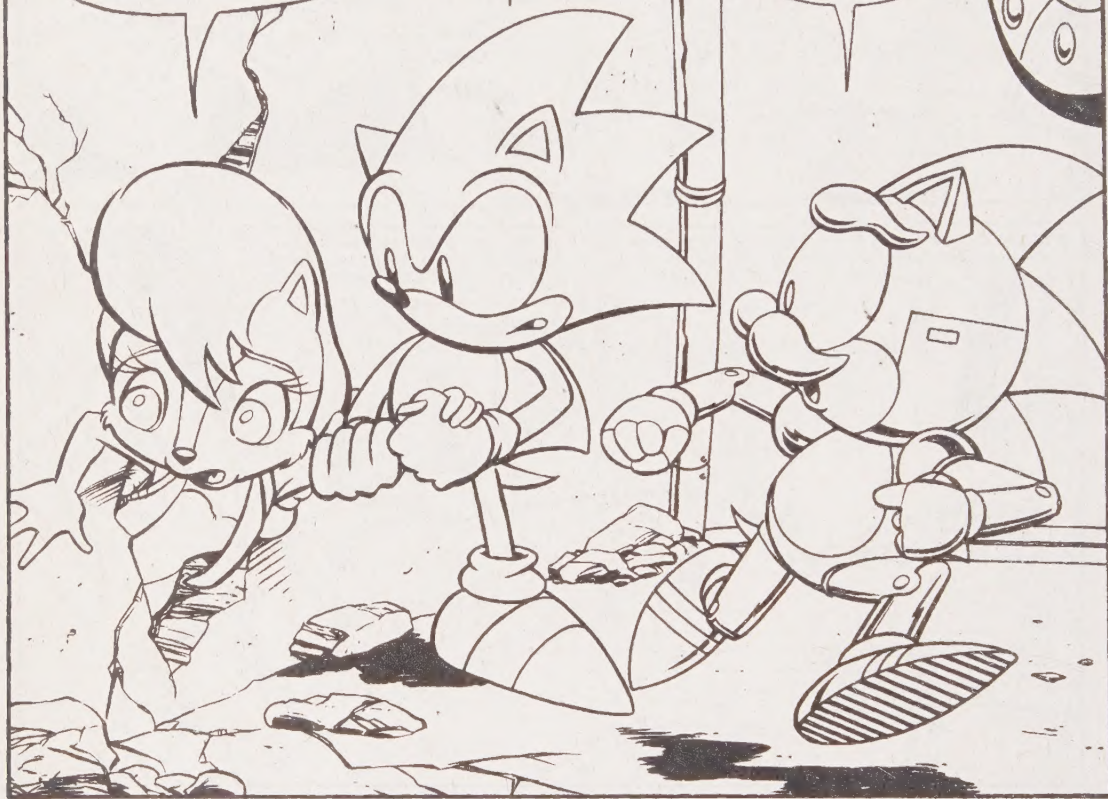
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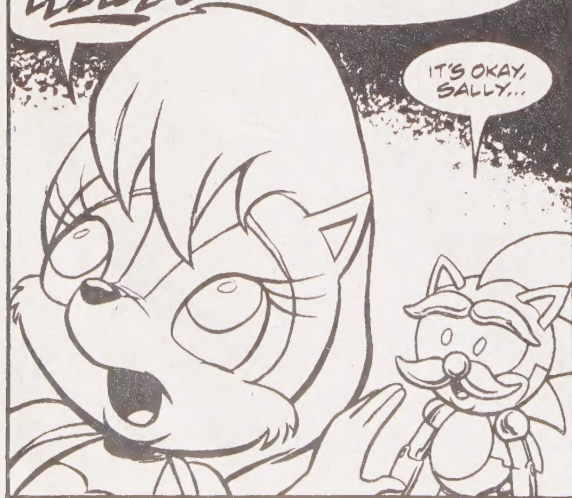
WHY DO I
GET THE FEELING
THAT WAS JUST
A WARM-UP?

WE'VE GOT TO
MOVE QUICKLY!
I'LL START THE
DEROBOTICIZER!



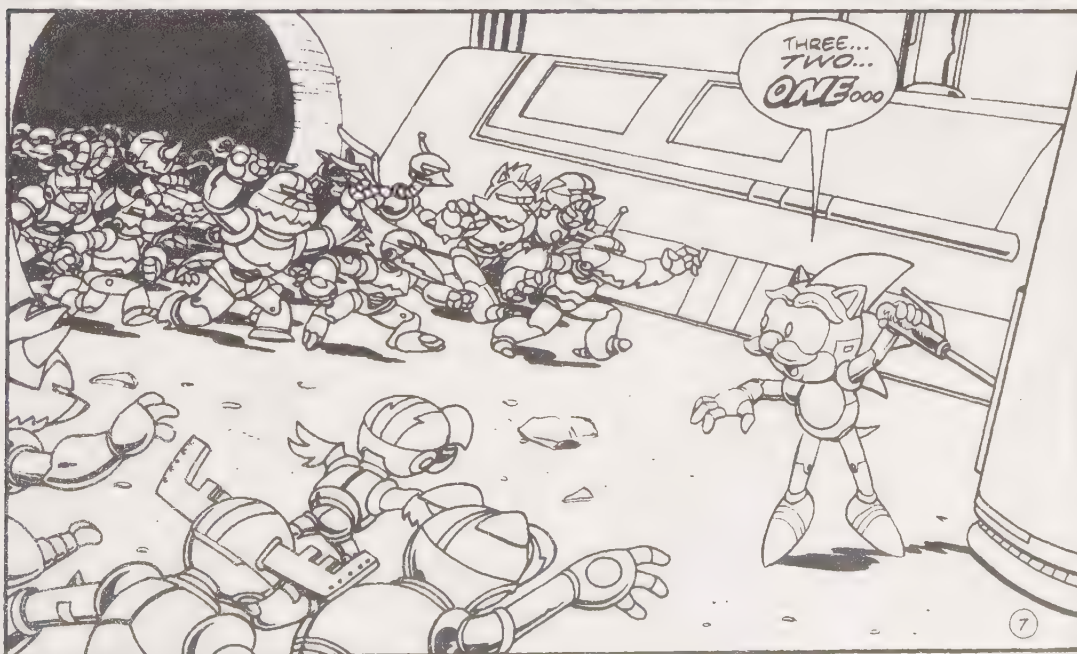
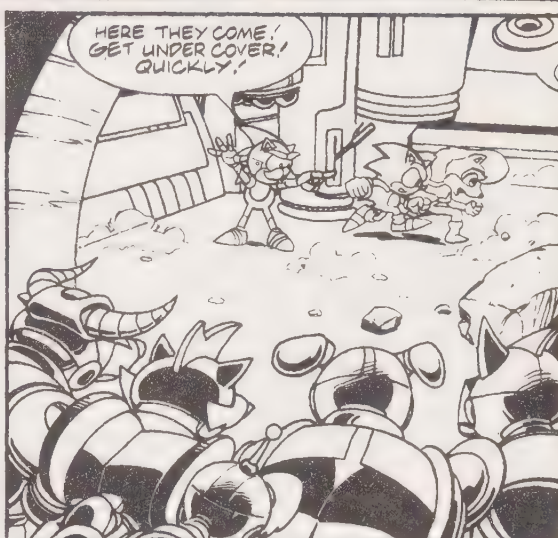
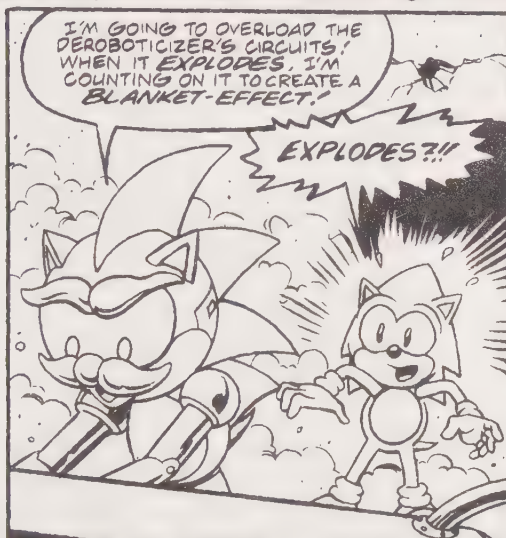
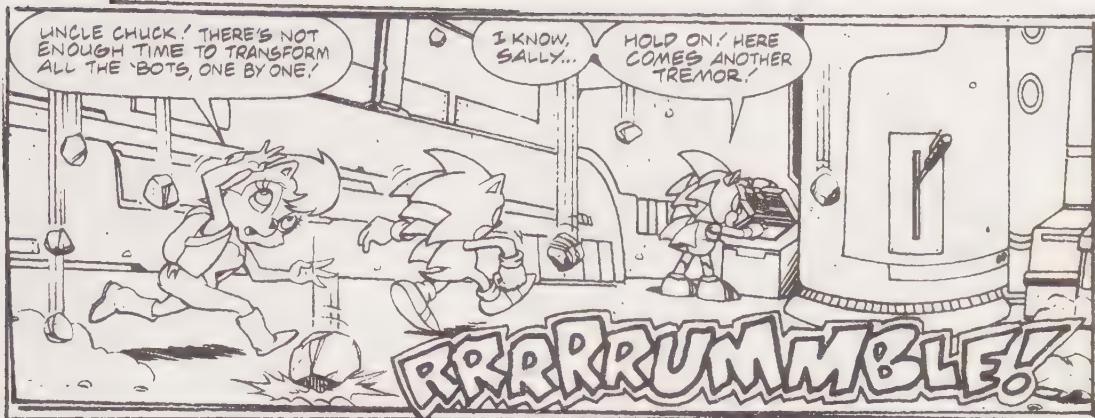
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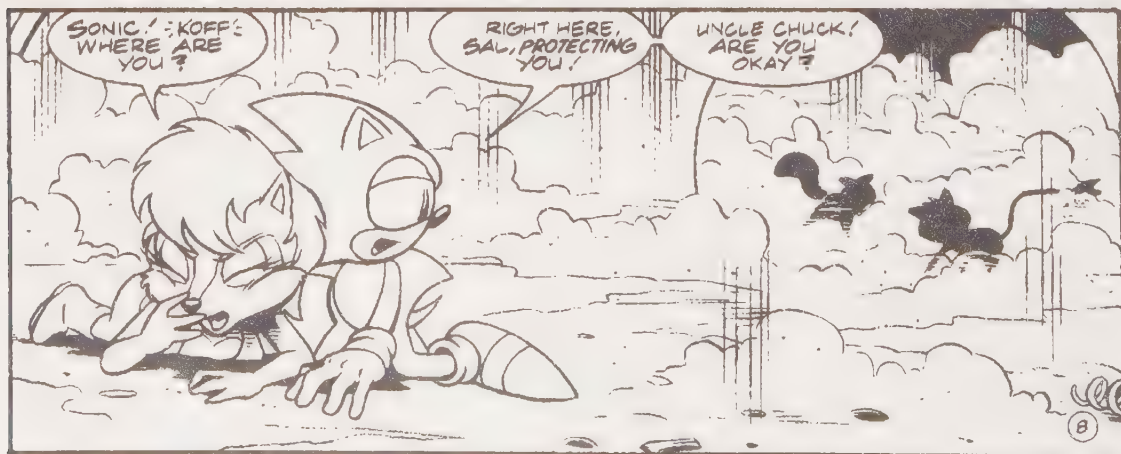
IT'S OKAY,
SALLY...

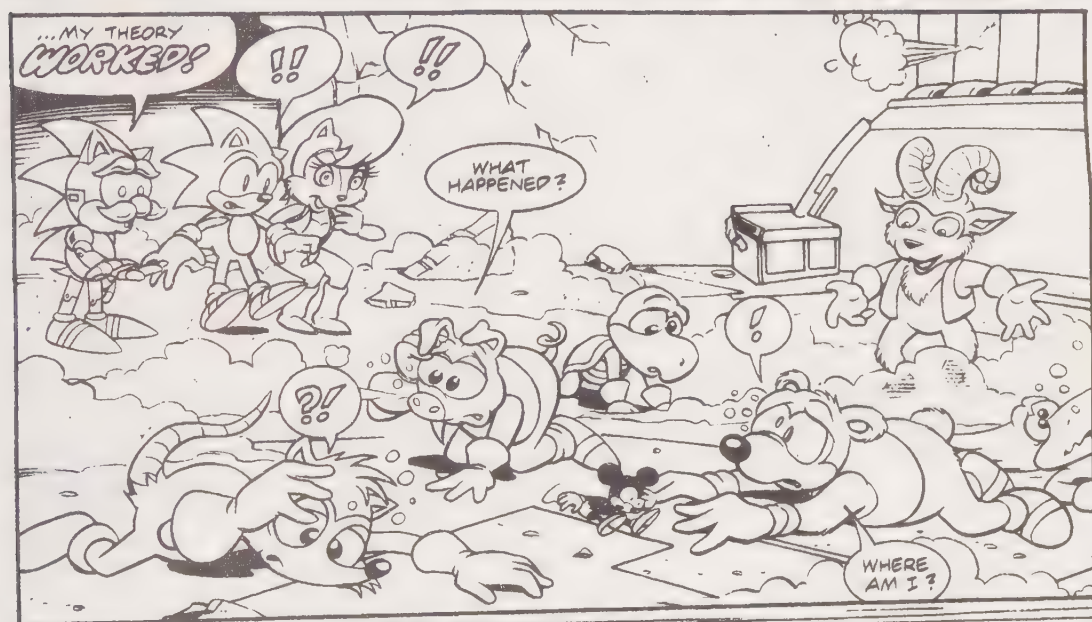
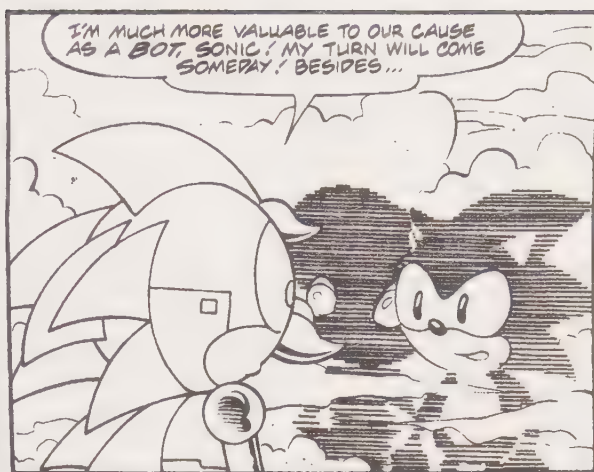
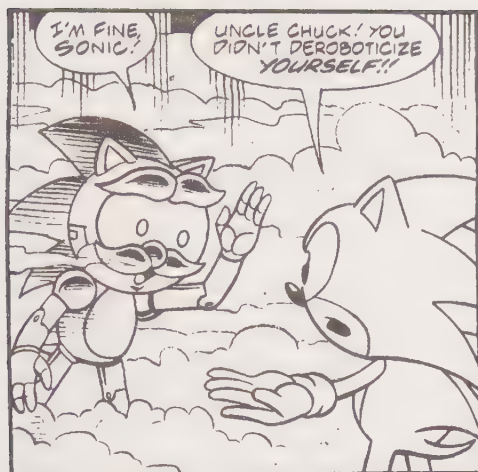


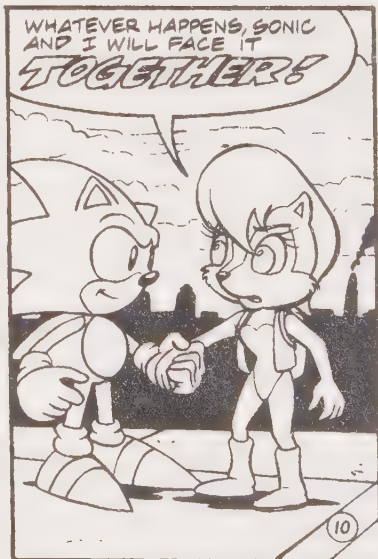
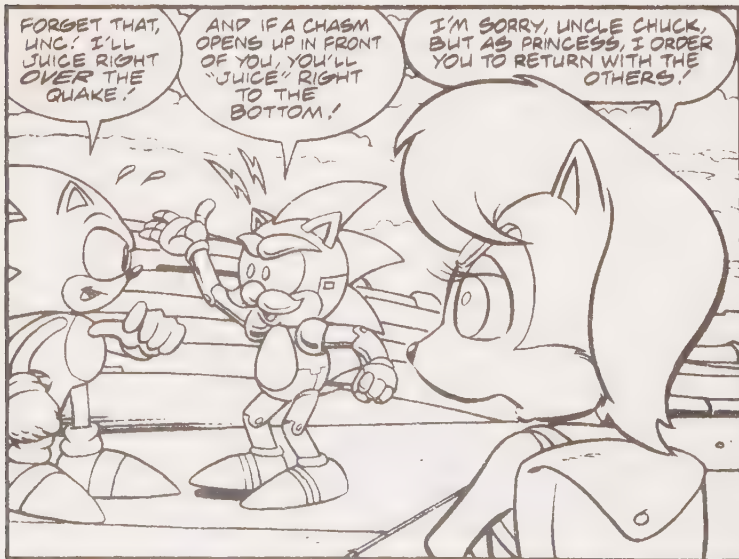
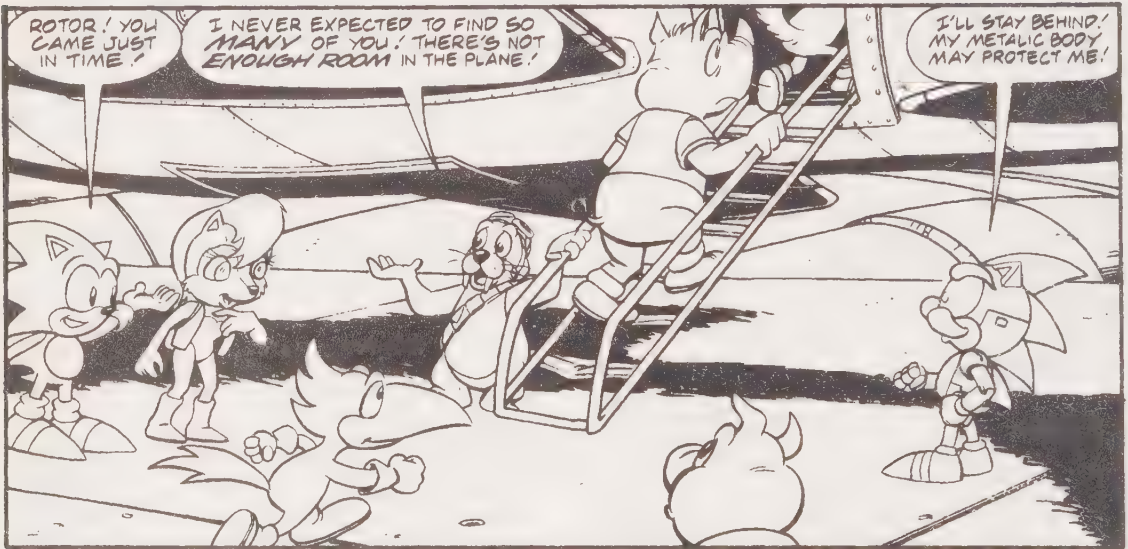
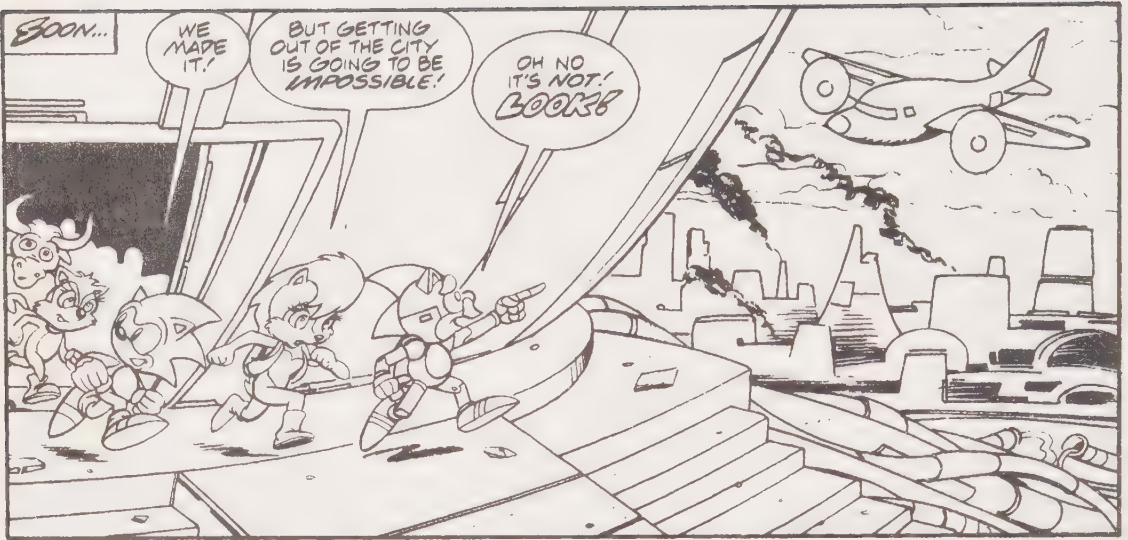
I TRIGGERED AN ALL-POINTS
INTRUDER ALARM. EVERY BOT
LEFT ON MOBIUS WILL SOON BE
CONVERGING ON THIS ROOM.









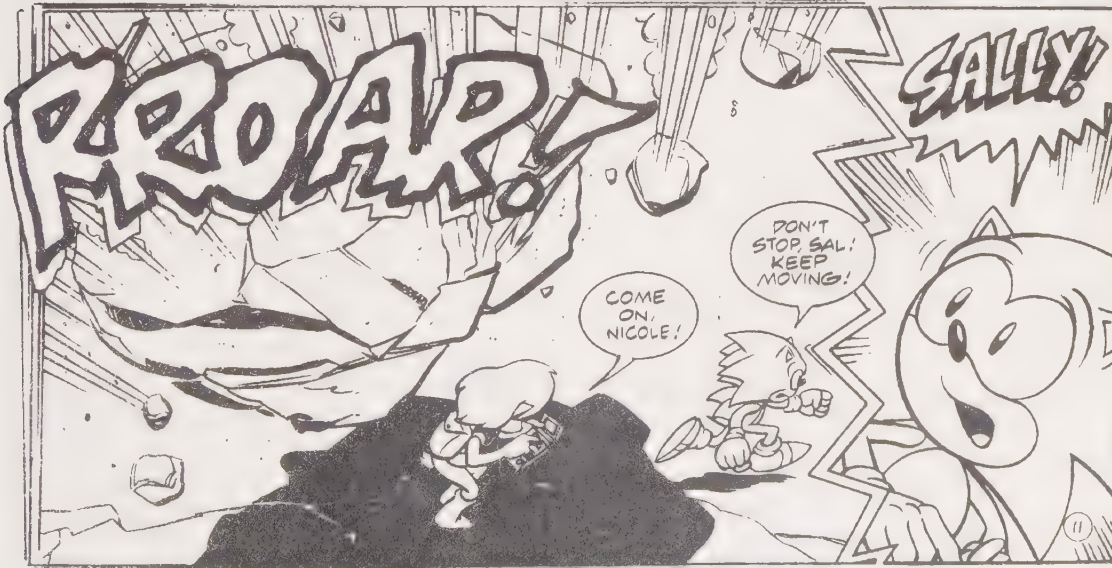
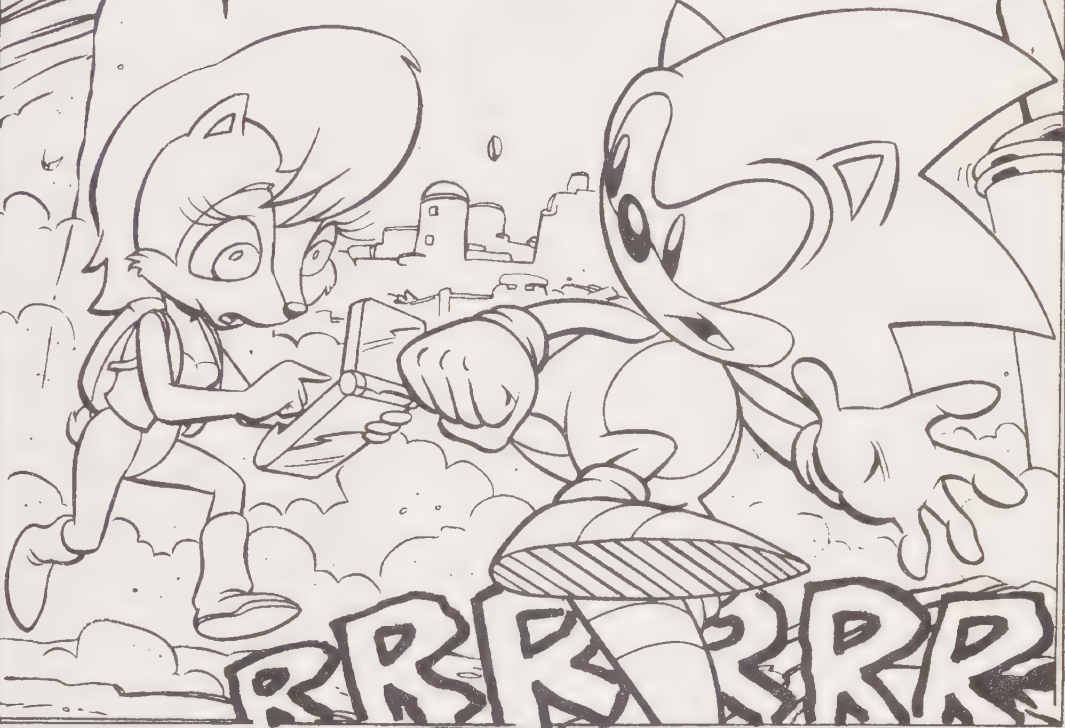


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IN THE DAY ROBOTROPOLIS
FELL PART 3

AT LEAST THE OTHERS GOT
AWAY! MAYBE NICOLE CAN
FIGURE OUT AN ESCAPE
ROUTE FOR US!

TELL HER TO MAKE IT
FAST! THIS TOWN IS
ABOUT TO ROCK...
BIG TIME!



K-THUD!

SHE'S HURT! SAL!

OH...H...

I'VE GOT TO GET HER BACK TO KNOTHOLE OR SHE WON'T MAKE IT!

WHA...?

ACCORDING TO THE AVAILABLE DATA, THIS IS THE SAFEST ROUTE OUT OF ROBOTROPOLIS...
...CHANCE OF SURVIVAL IS TWELVE PERCENT...

...IF YOU START IN TEN SECONDS AND DON'T STOP! GOOD LUCK, SONIC!

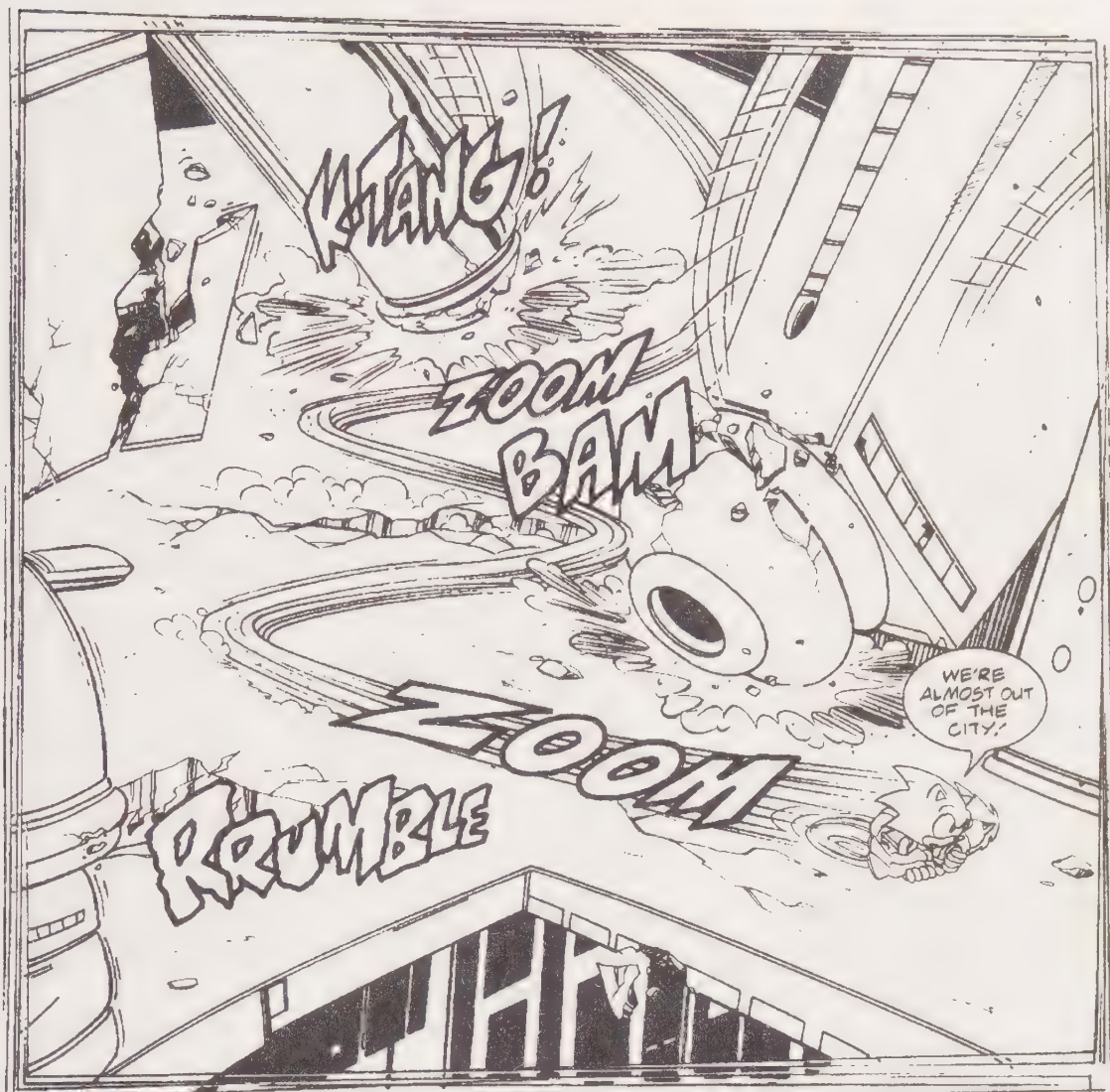
GOOD LUCK? DON'T YOU MEAN "GOOD-BYE"?

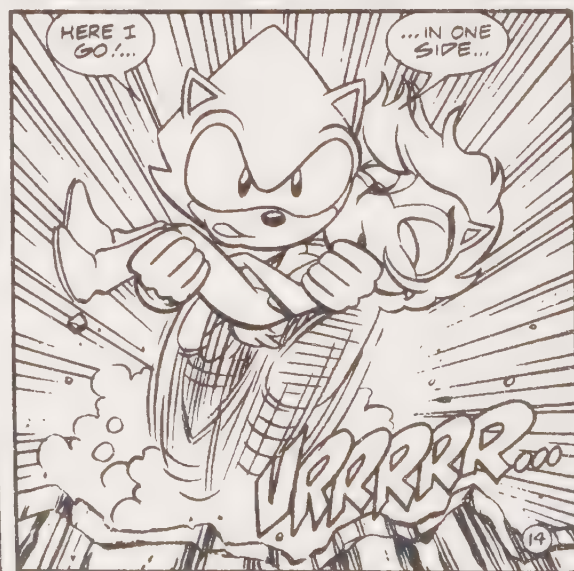
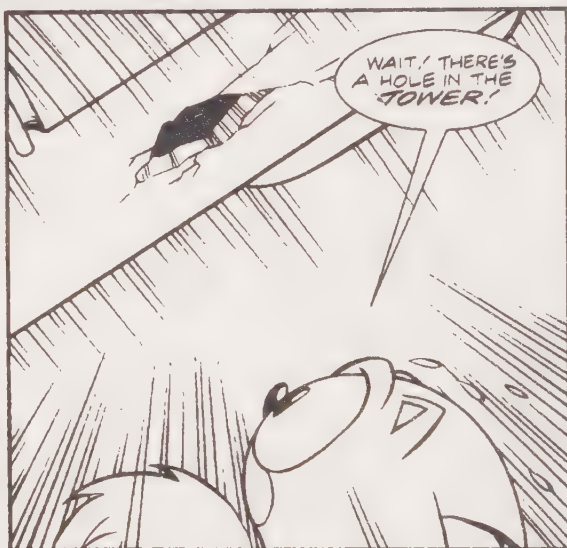
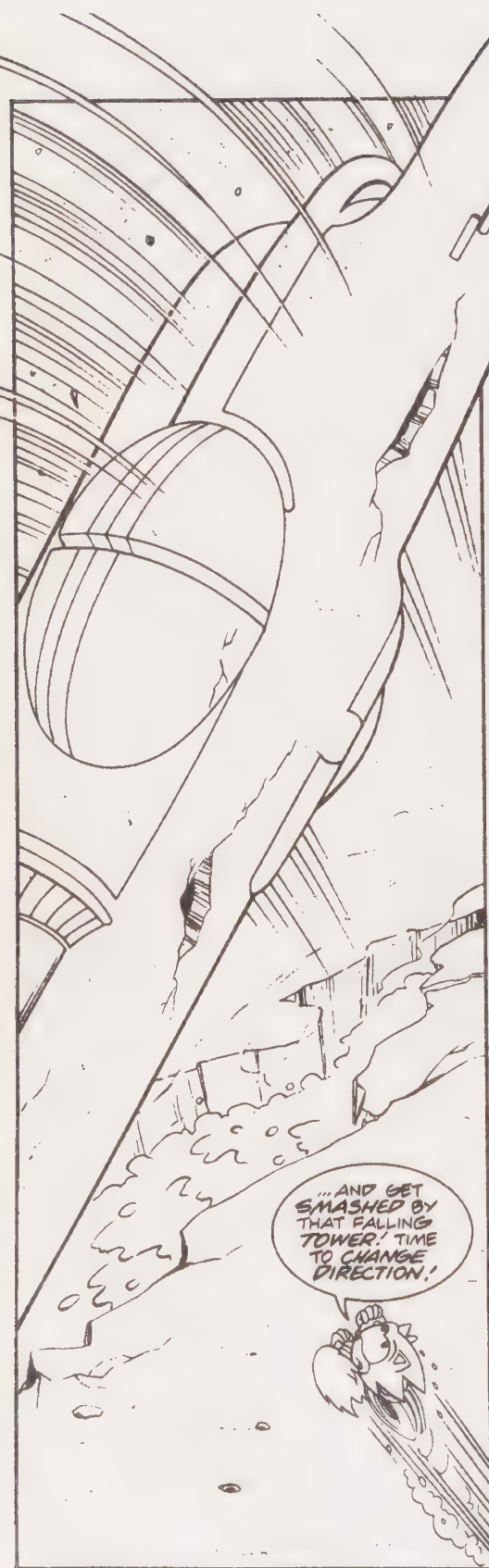
HANG ON, SAL!

VROOOONK

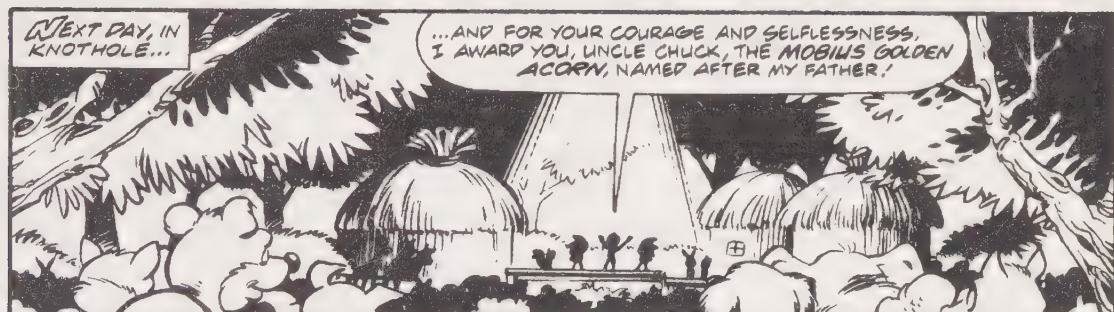
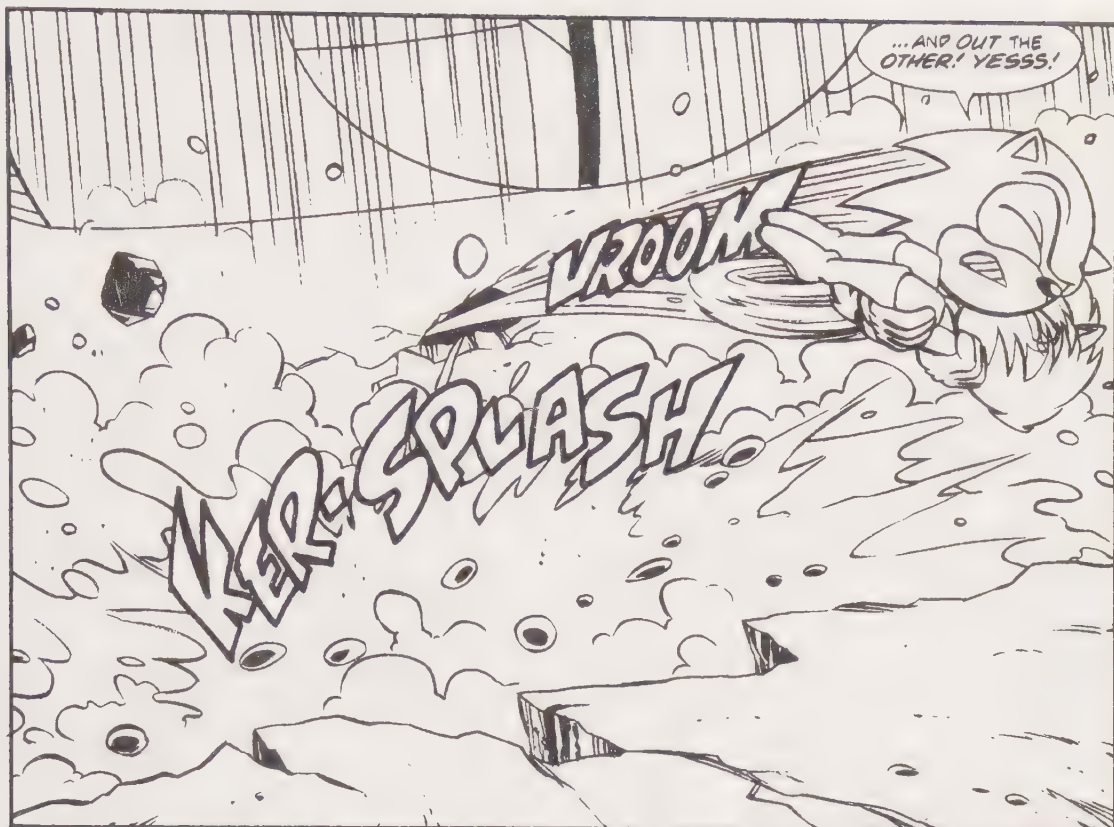
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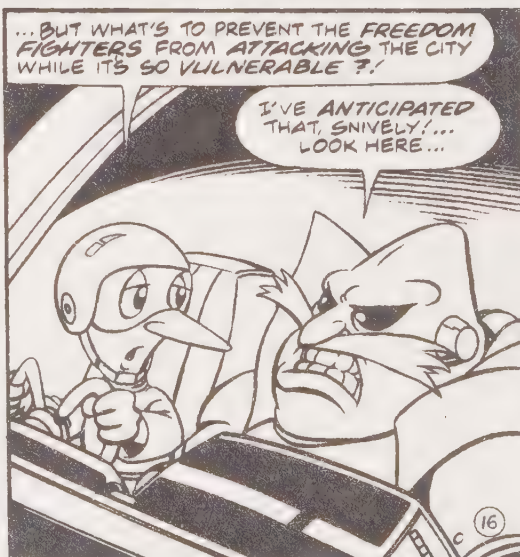
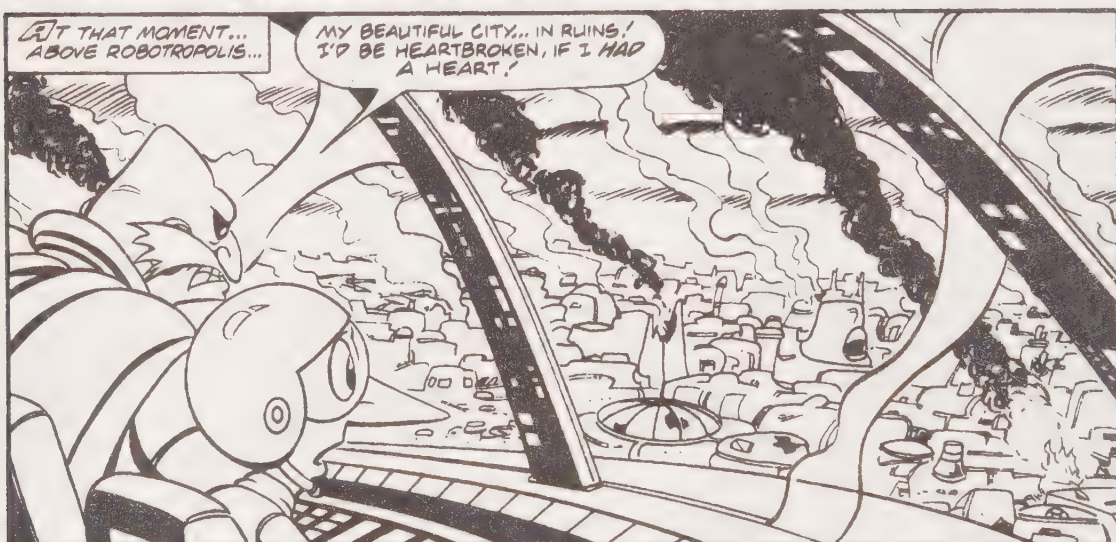
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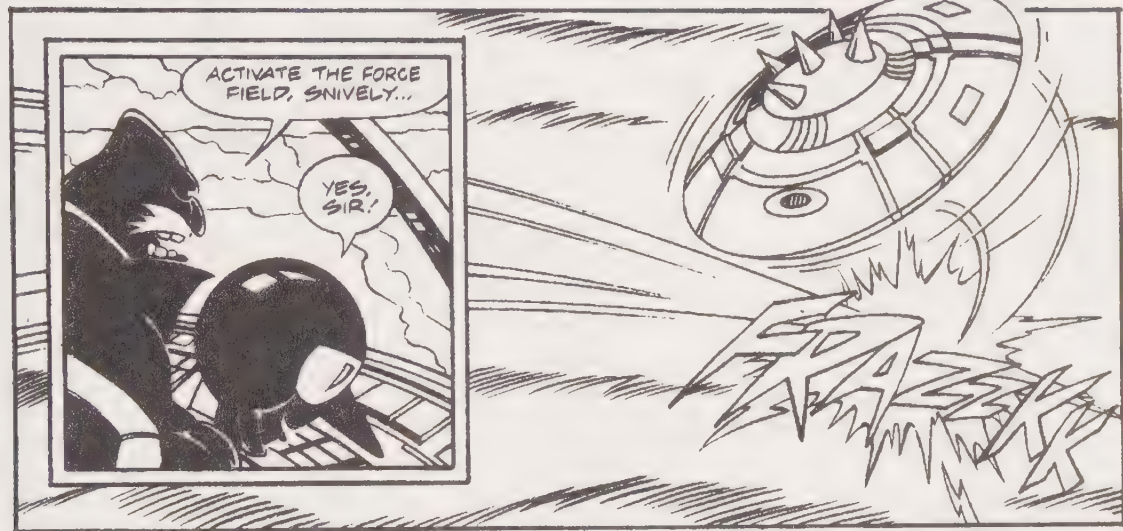
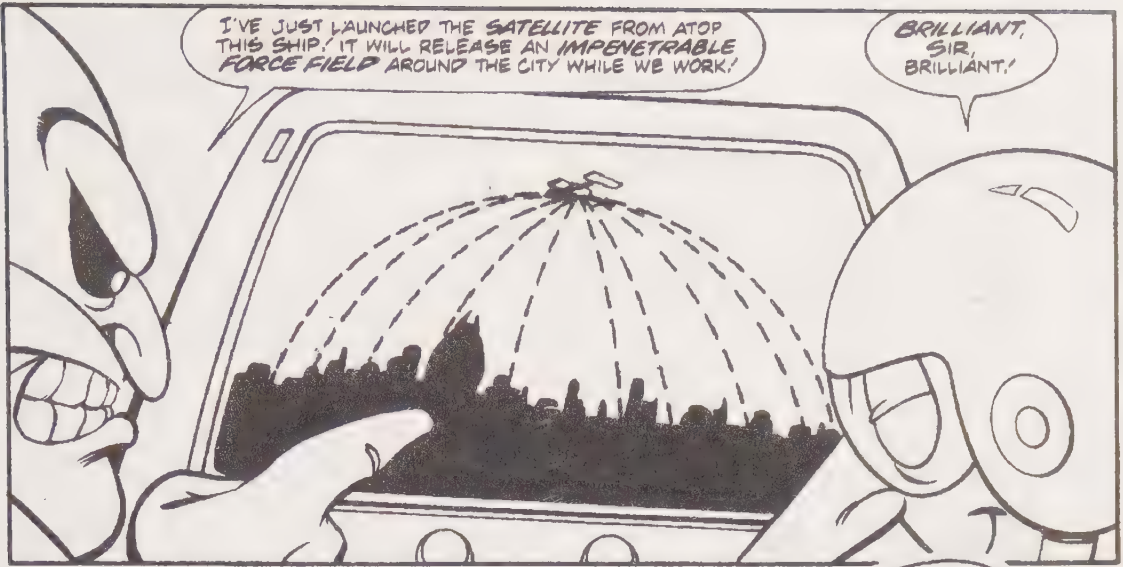


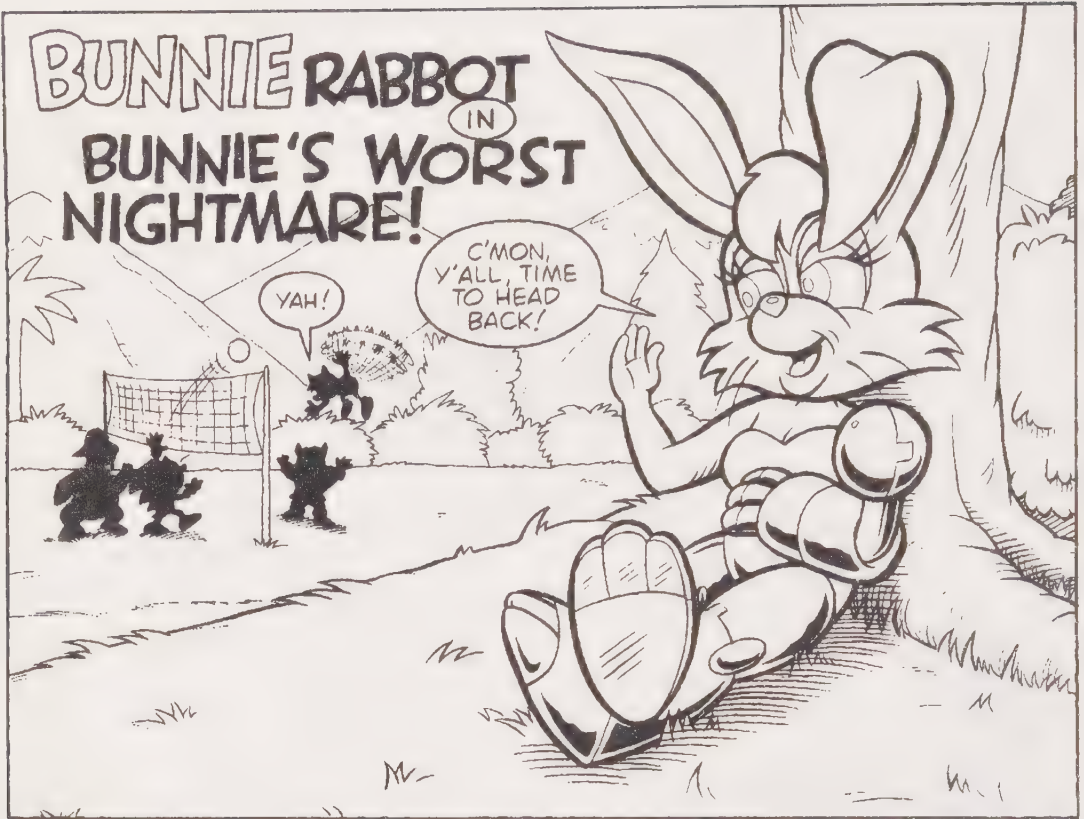


...AND GET
SMASHED BY
THAT FALLING
TOWER! TIME
TO CHANGE
DIRECTION!

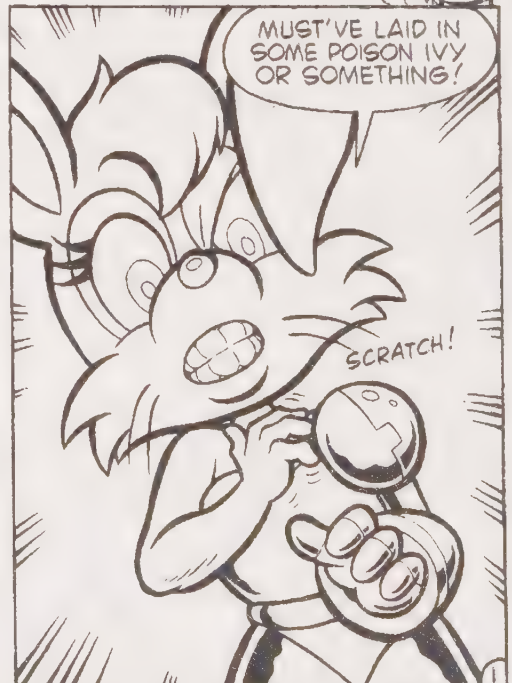


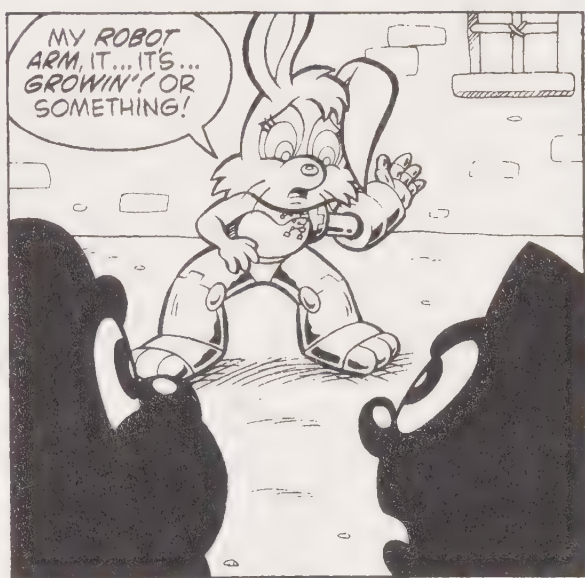
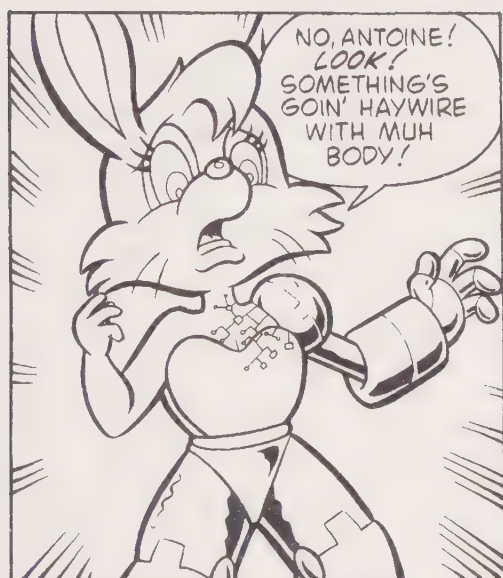
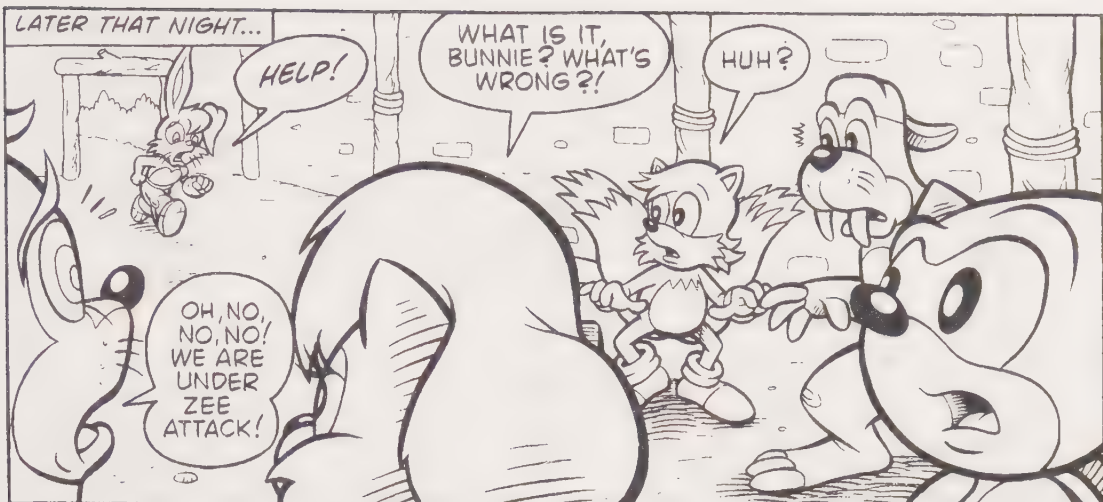


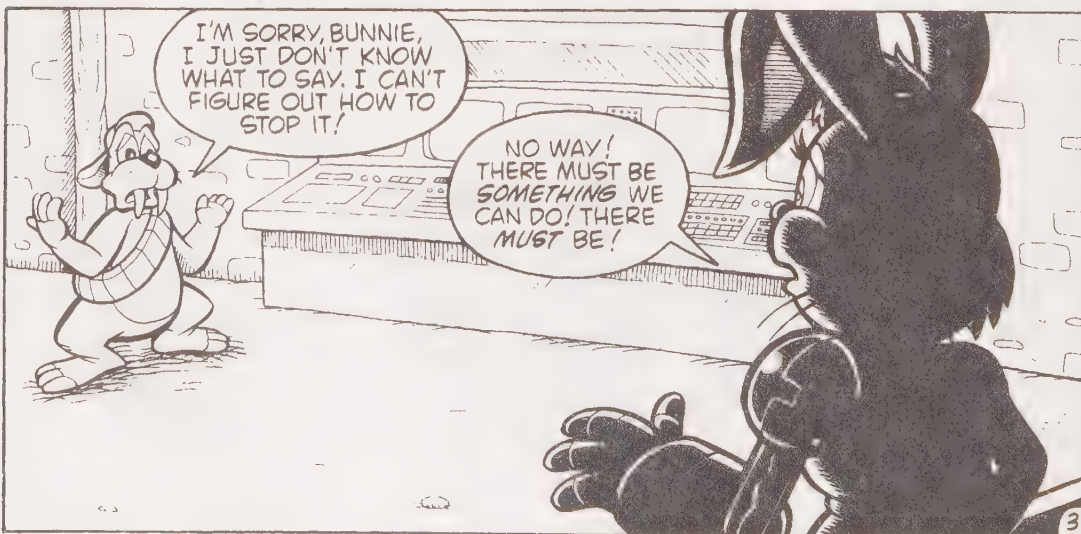
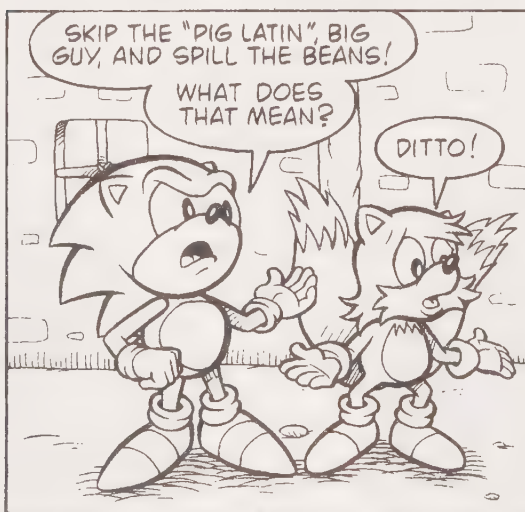
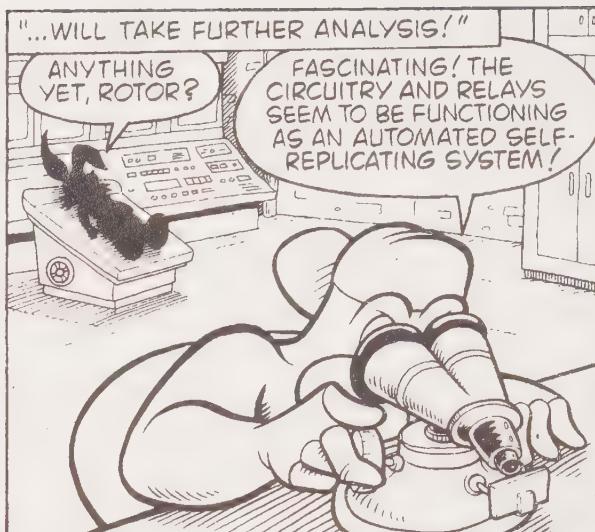
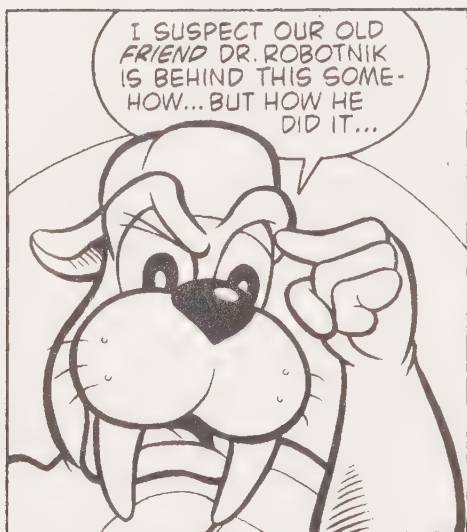


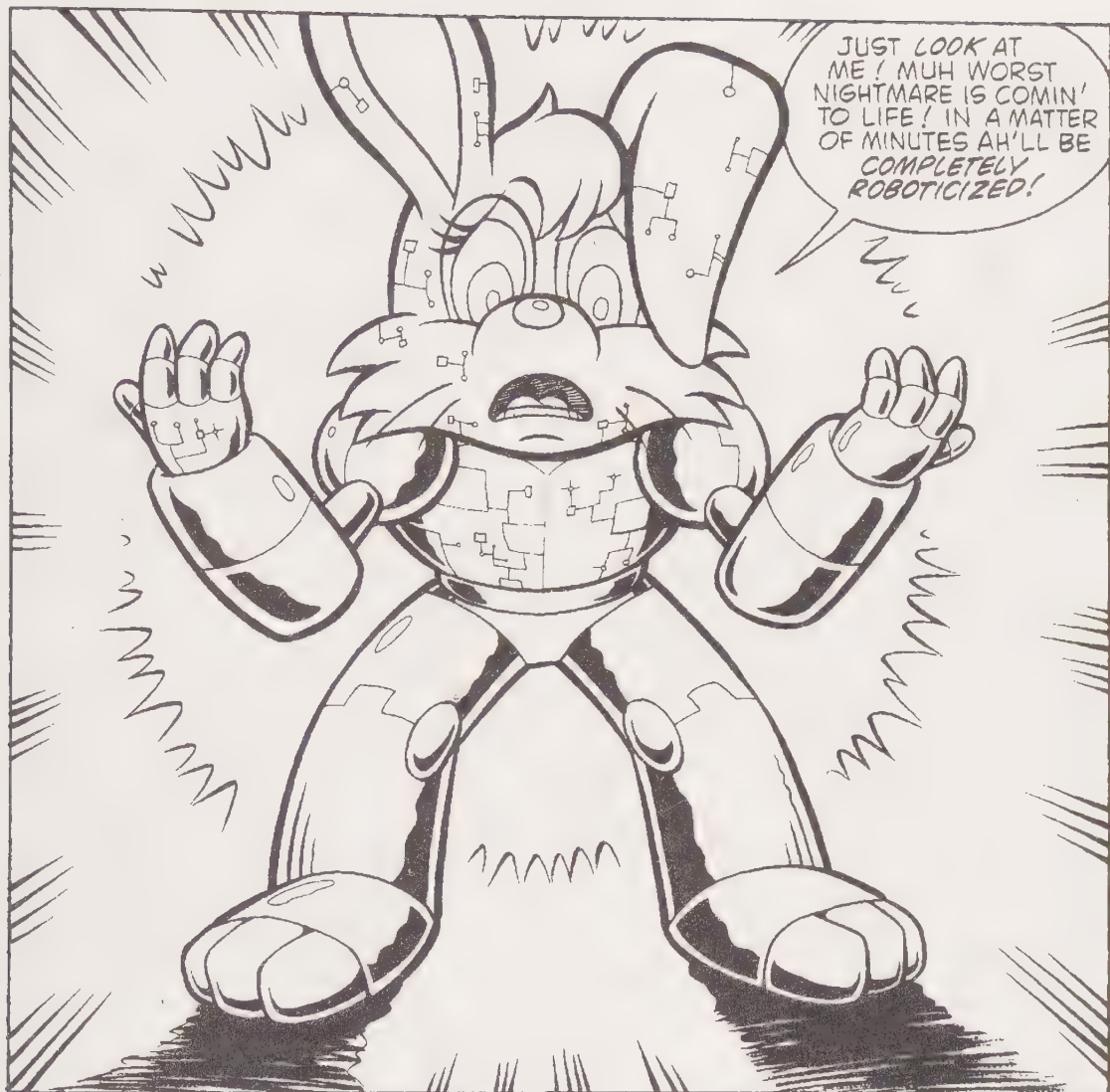


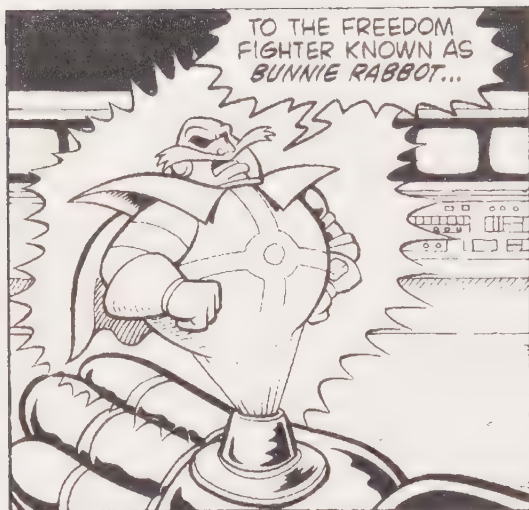
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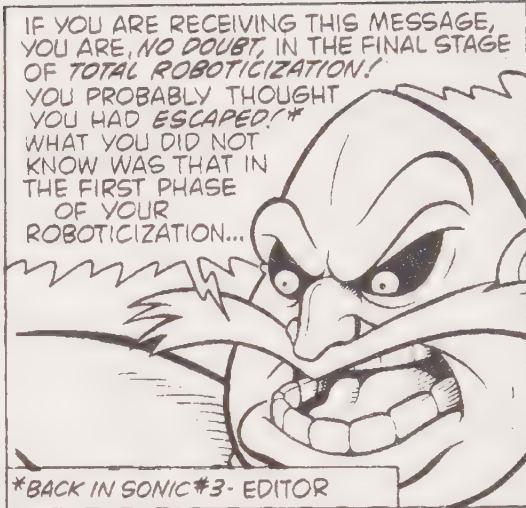






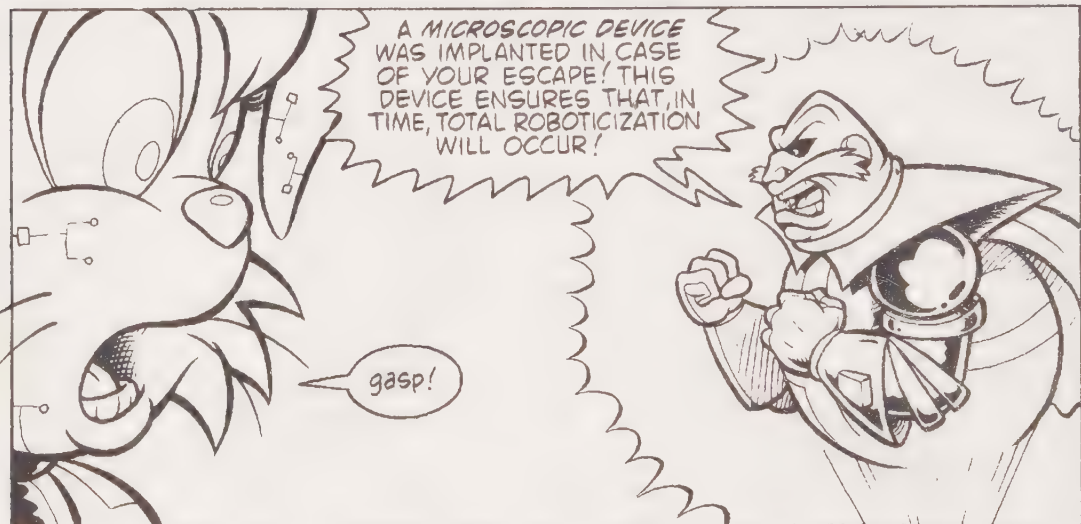


TO THE FREEDOM
FIGHTER KNOWN AS
BUNNIE RABBIT...



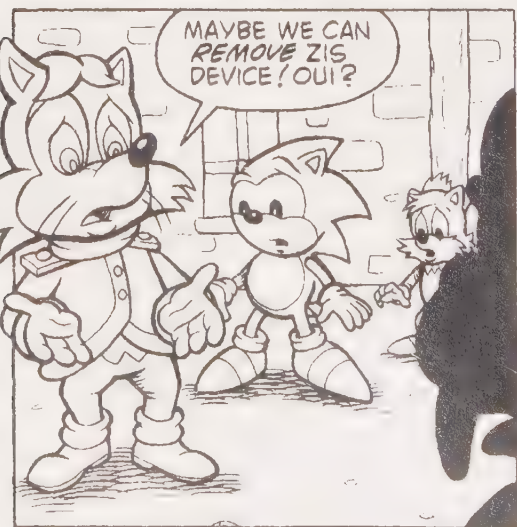
IF YOU ARE RECEIVING THIS MESSAGE,
YOU ARE, *NO DOUBT*, IN THE FINAL STAGE
OF *TOTAL ROBOTICIZATION!*
YOU PROBABLY THOUGHT
YOU HAD *ESCAPED!* *
WHAT YOU DID NOT
KNOW WAS THAT IN
THE FIRST PHASE
OF YOUR
ROBOTICIZATION...

*BACK IN SONIC #3- EDITOR

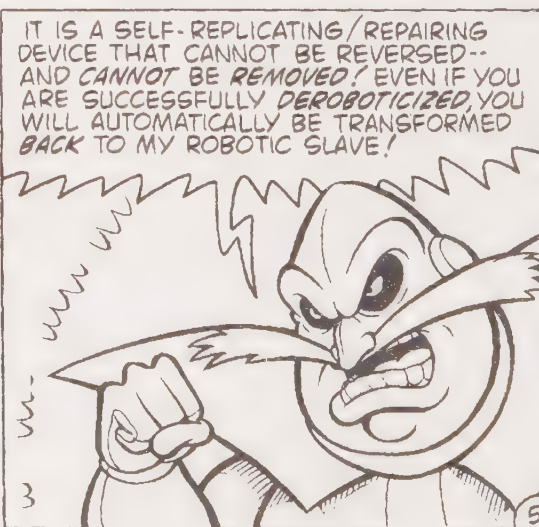


A MICROSCOPIC DEVICE
WAS IMPLANTED IN CASE
OF YOUR ESCAPE! THIS
DEVICE ENSURES THAT, IN
TIME, TOTAL ROBOTICIZATION
WILL OCCUR!

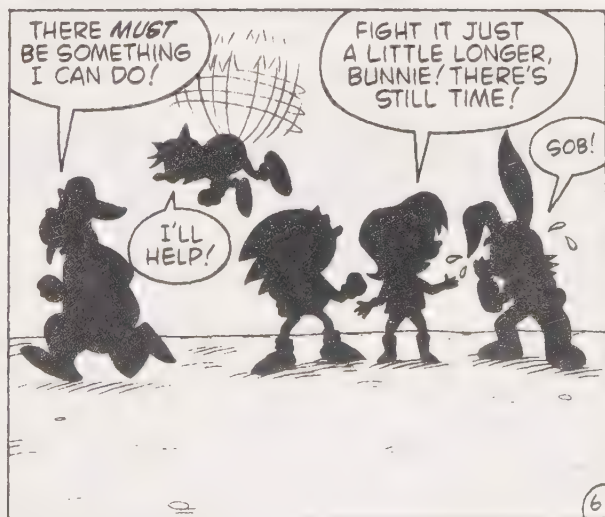
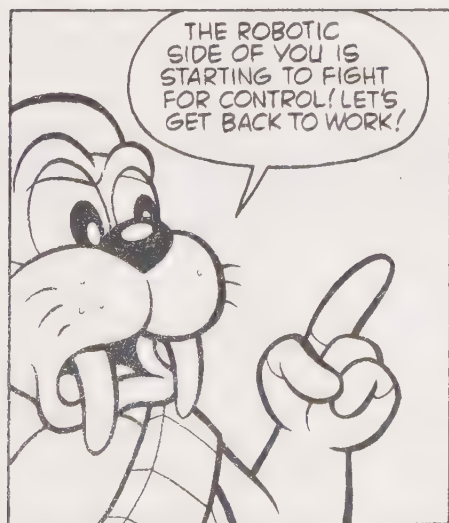
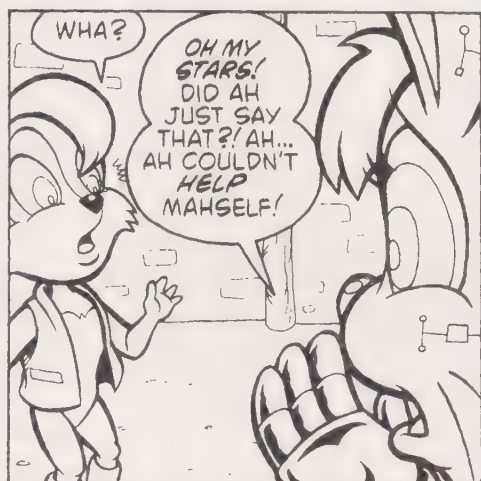
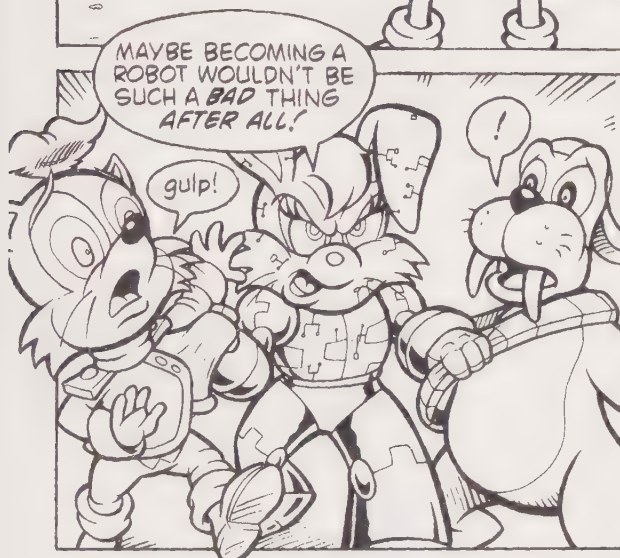
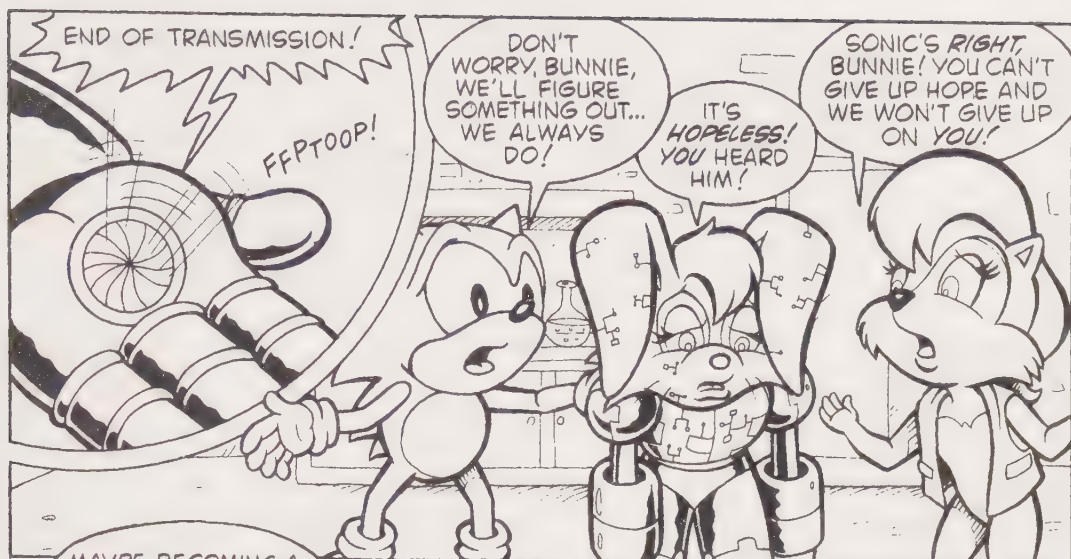
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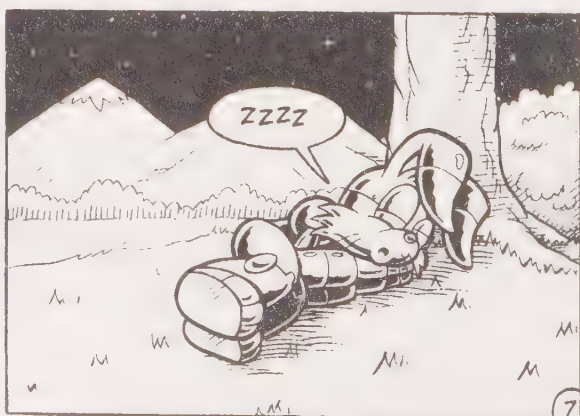
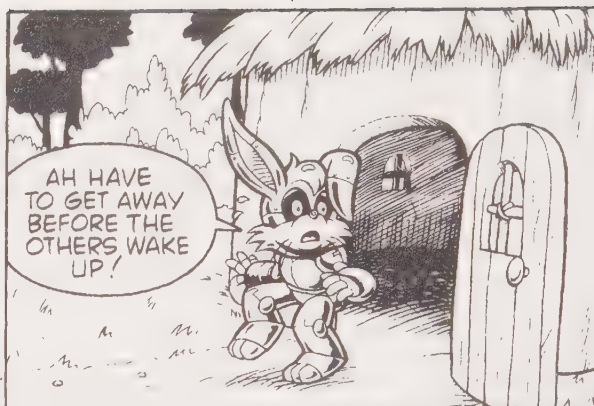


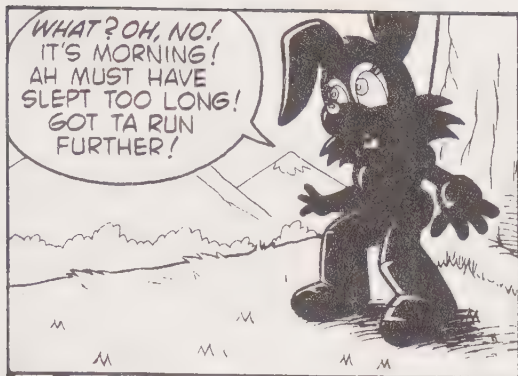
MAYBE WE CAN
REMOVE ZIS
DEVICE! OUI?



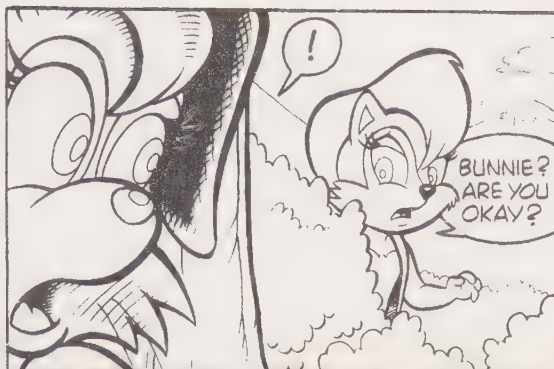
IT IS A SELF-REPLICATING/REPAIRING
DEVICE THAT CANNOT BE REVERSED--
AND *CANNOT BE REMOVED!* EVEN IF YOU
ARE SUCCESSFULLY *DEROBOTICIZED*, YOU
WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE TRANSFORMED
BACK TO MY ROBOTIC SLAVE!







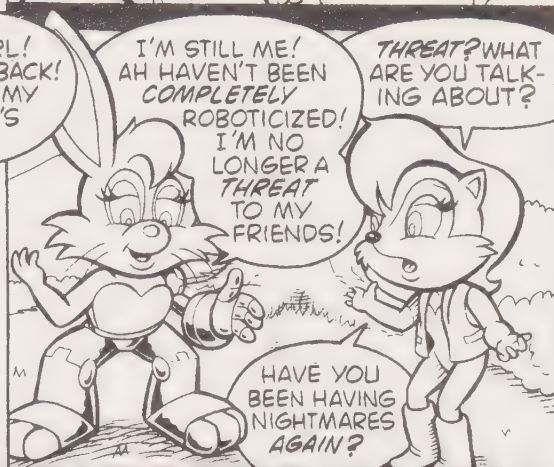
WHAT? OH, NO!
IT'S MORNING!
AH MUST HAVE
SLEPT TOO LONG!
GOT TA RUN
FURTHER!



BUNNIE?
ARE YOU
OKAY?



SALLY GIRL!
NO... STAY BACK!
AH... HEY... MY
HAND! IT'S
OKAY!



I'M STILL ME!
AH HAVEN'T BEEN
COMPLETELY
ROBOTICIZED!
I'M NO
LONGER A
THREAT
TO MY
FRIENDS!

THREAT? WHAT
ARE YOU TALK-
ING ABOUT?

HAVE YOU
BEEN HAVING
NIGHTMARES
AGAIN?



AH GUESS SO!
MAYBE AH SHOULDN'T
HAVE EATEN THAT
EXTRA PIECE OF
MOBIUS BERRY
PIE! UGH!

HA! HA! HA!
JUST A MILD CASE
OF INDIGESTION. YOU
HAVE NOTHING TO
WORRY ABOUT!



YOU'RE
RIGHT.

AH
HOPE.

THE
END.

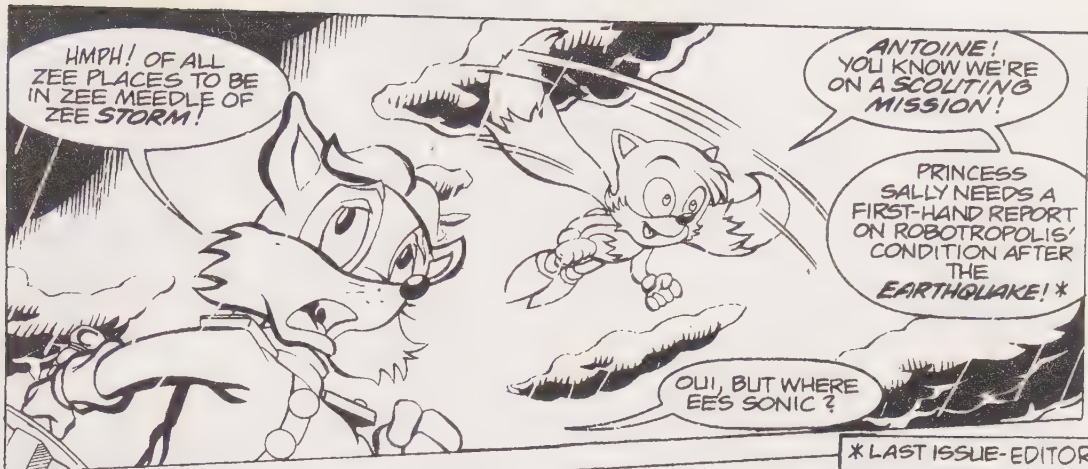
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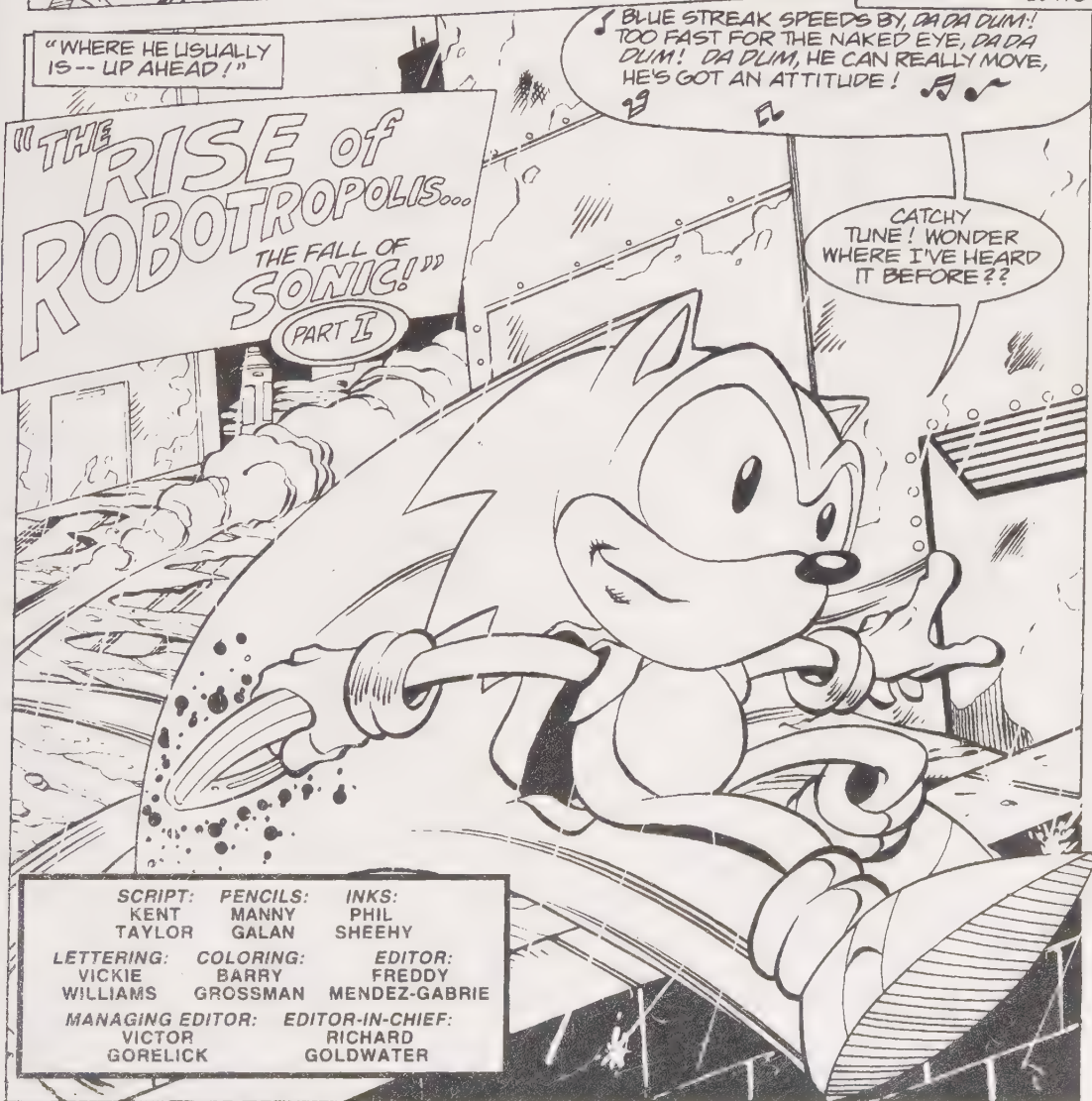
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

TAILS
SOLO STORY
INSIDE!





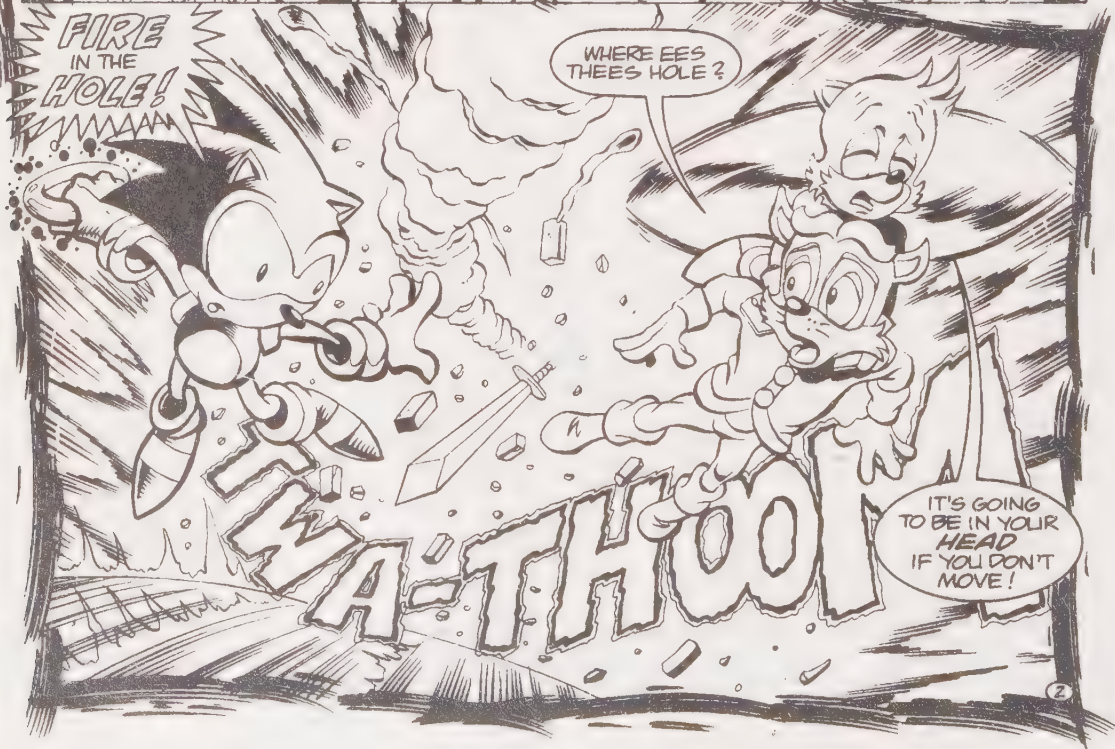
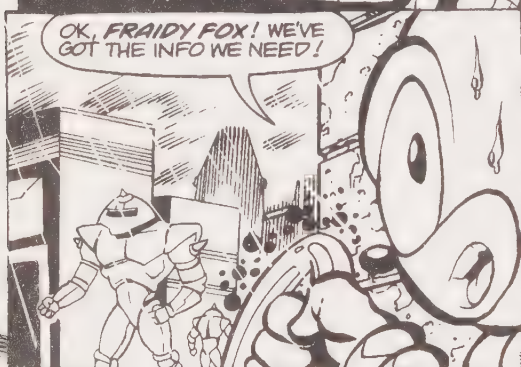
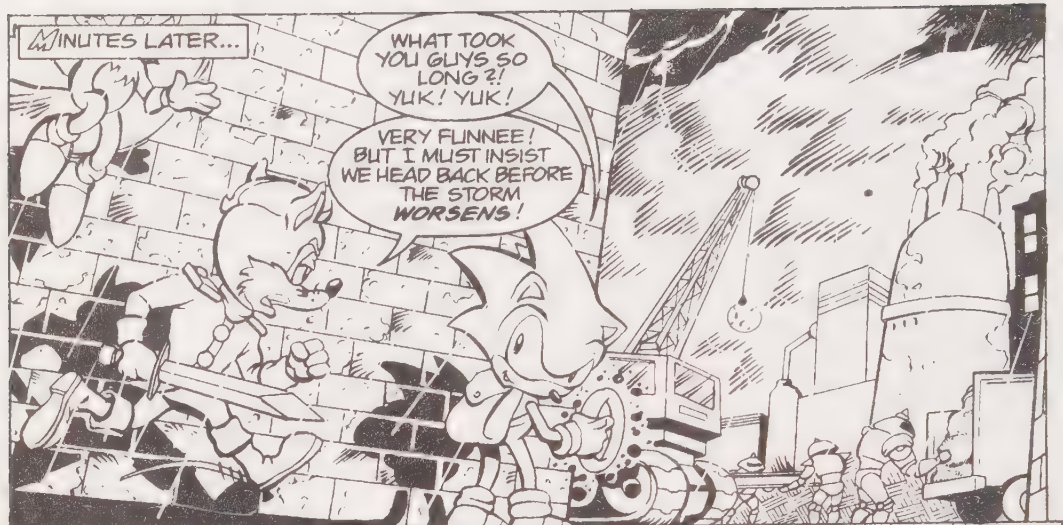
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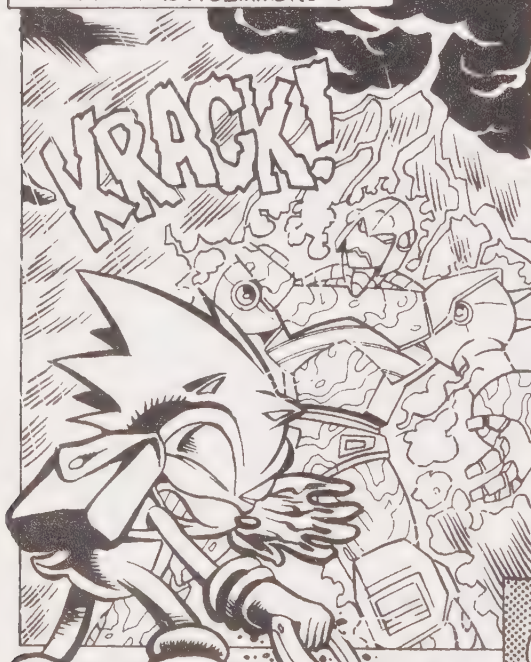
AS THE STORM AND BATTLE RAGE ON...

THESE GUYS ARE
TOUGHER THAN SWATBOTS!
WE COULD REALLY USE
SOME HELP!

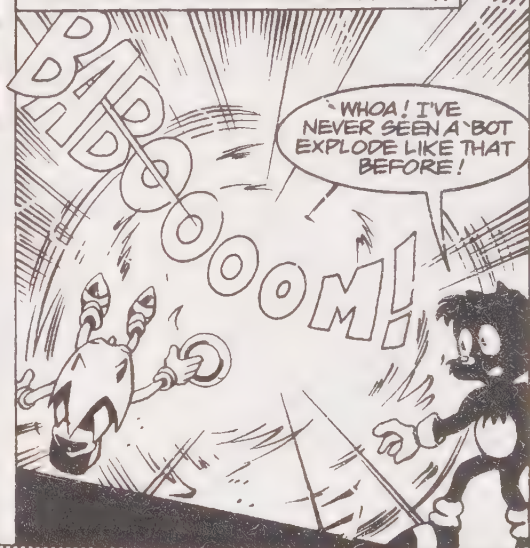
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SUCE!

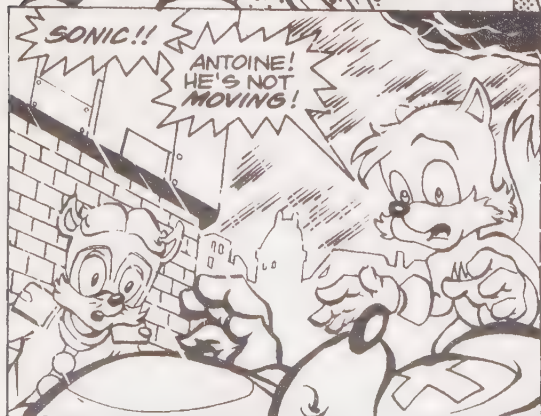
...MOTHER NATURE MIRACULOUSLY
RESPONDS TO A SUMMONS...



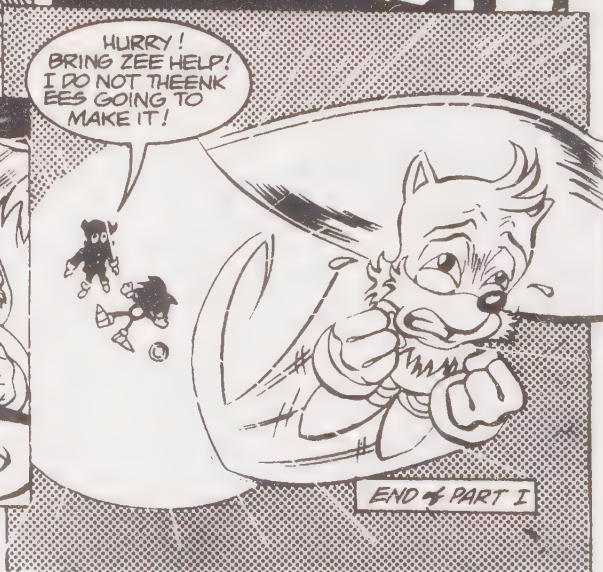
...BUT WHOSE SIDE IS SHE REALLY ON?!



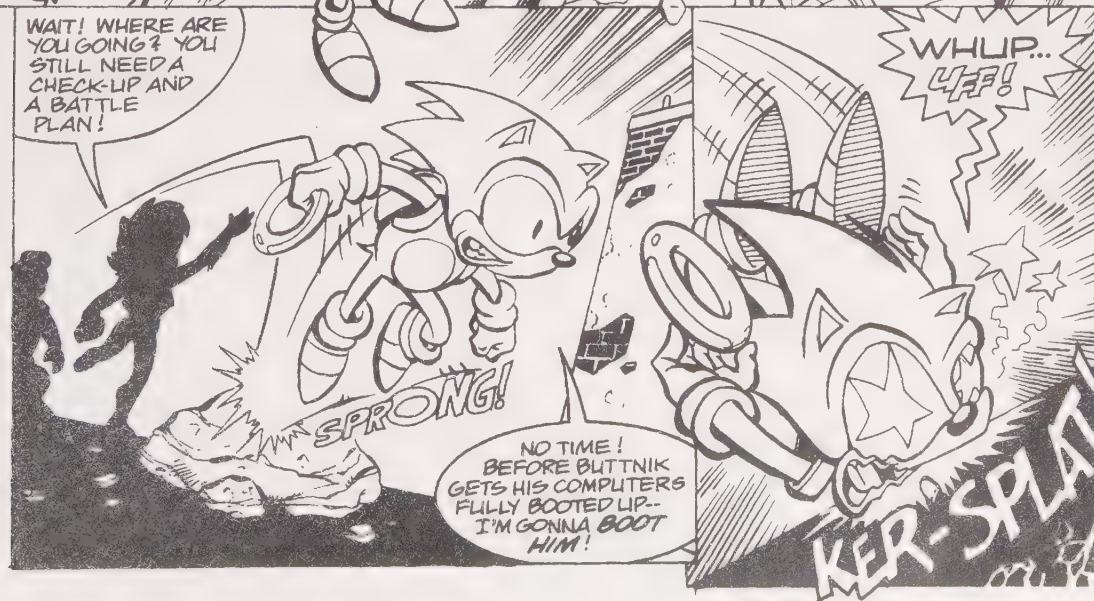
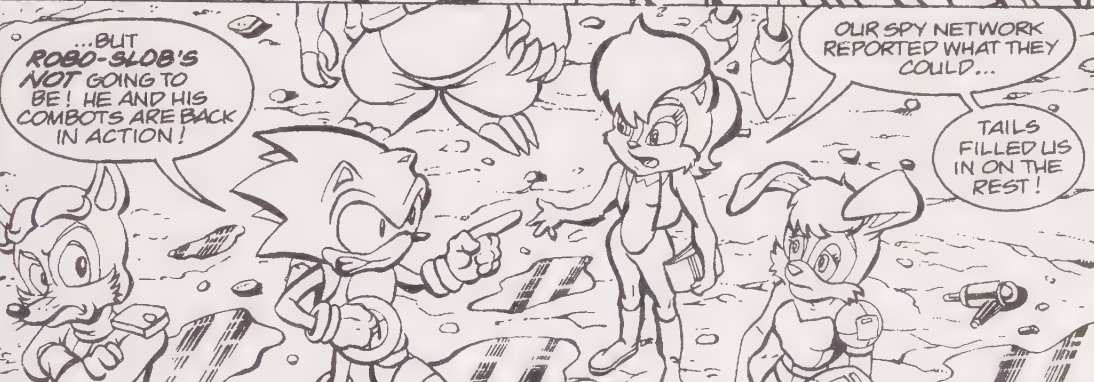
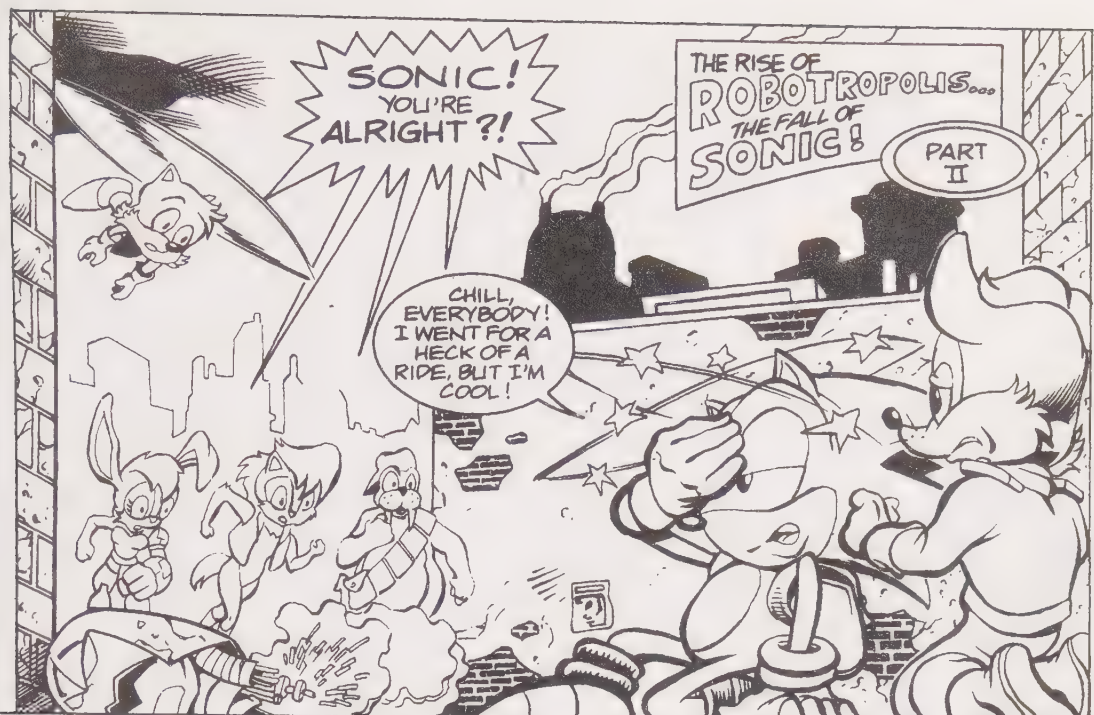
WHOA! I'VE
NEVER SEEN A 'BOT
EXPLODE LIKE THAT
BEFORE!

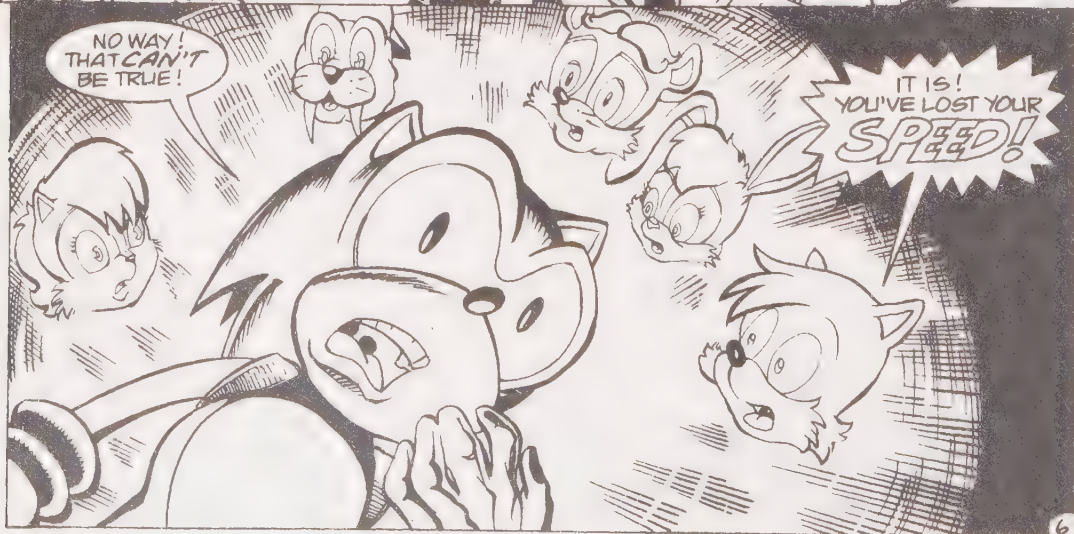
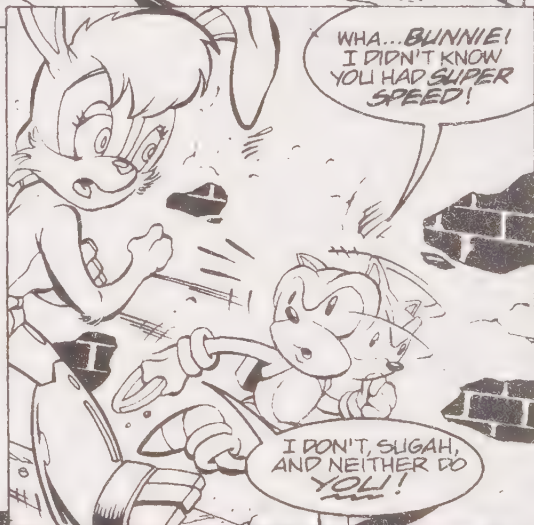
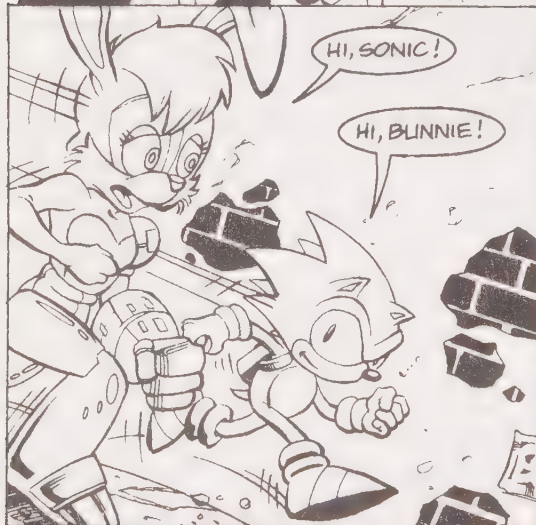
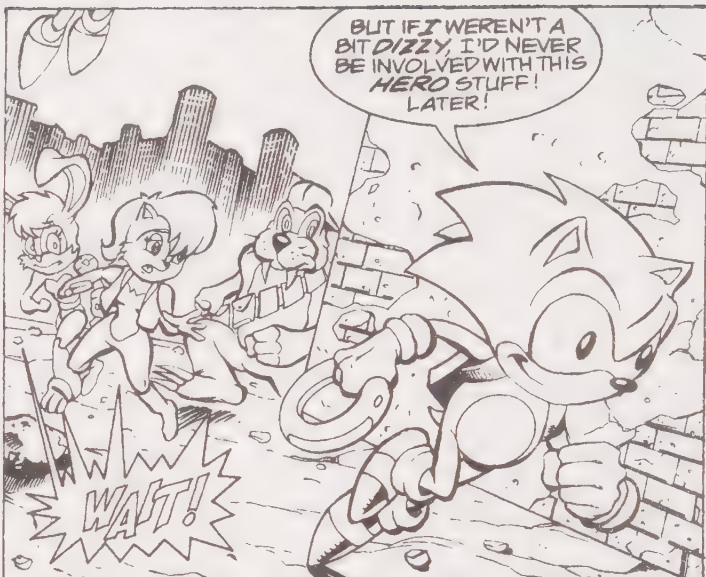
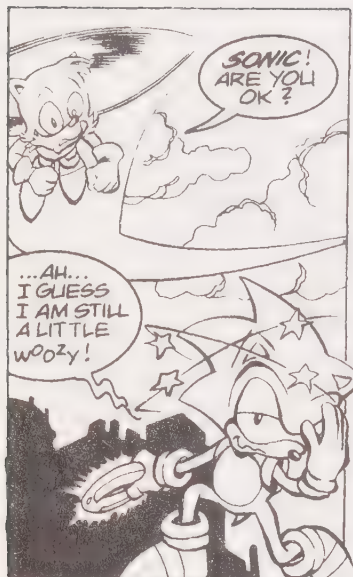


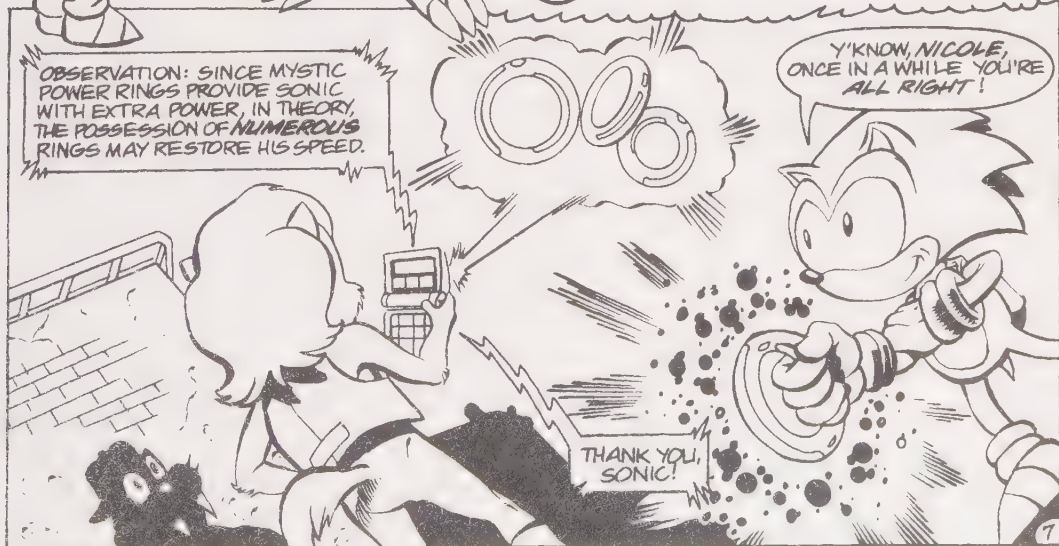
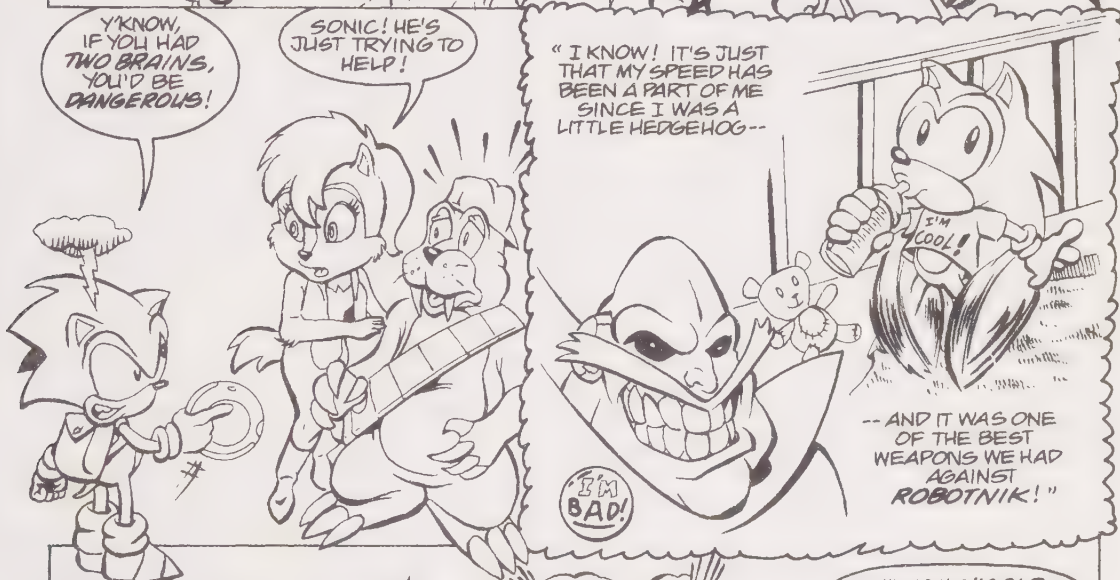
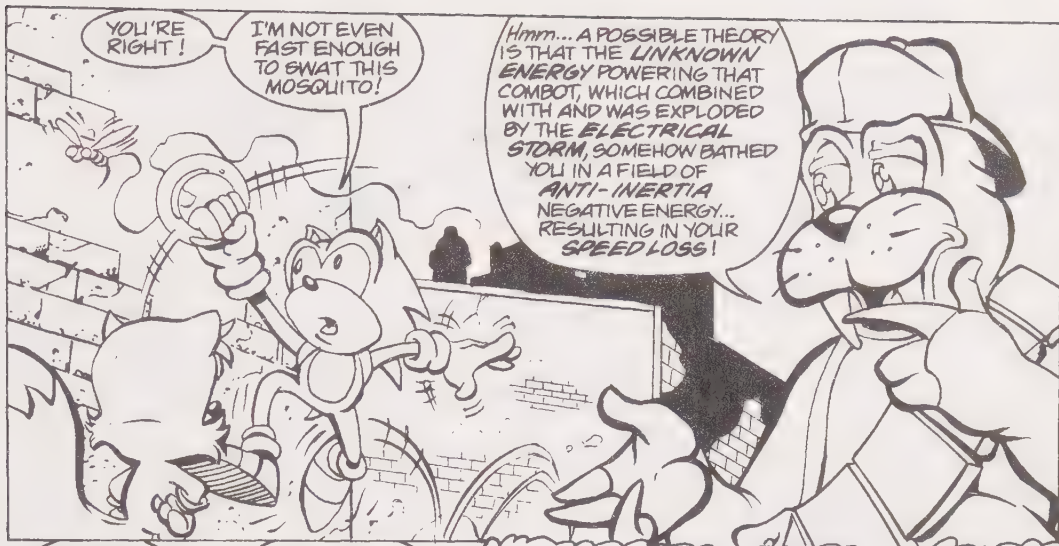
HURRY!
BRING ZEE HELP!
I DO NOT THEENK
EES GOING TO
MAKE IT!



END of PART I







LET'S HOPE WE
ESCAPED ROBOTROPOLIS
UNDETECTED!

PRIORITY ONE--
CAPTURE FREEDOM
FIGHTERS!

AFFIRMATIVE!
MY SENSORS HAVE NOT
DETECTED ANY ENERGY--
WAIT-- SENSORS NOW
DETECTING--

COMBOTS! THEY
HAVE SOME SORT
OF CLOAKING
ABILITY!

GLOOO P!

IT'S AN
AMBUSH!
"BLUE"

KRAK

VRING!

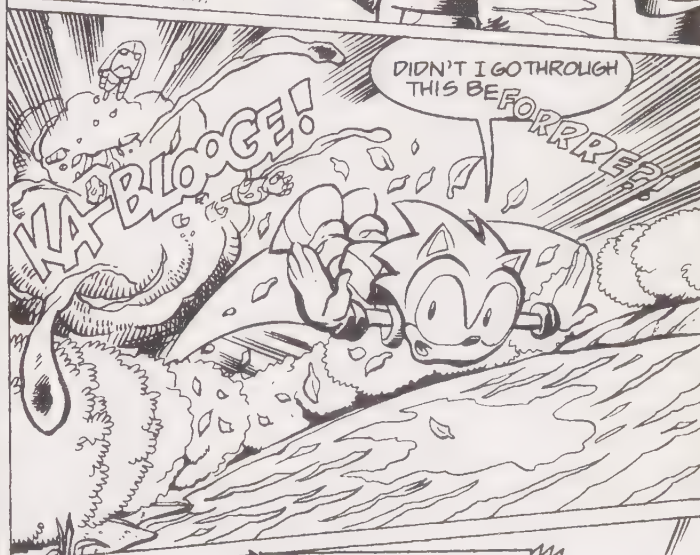
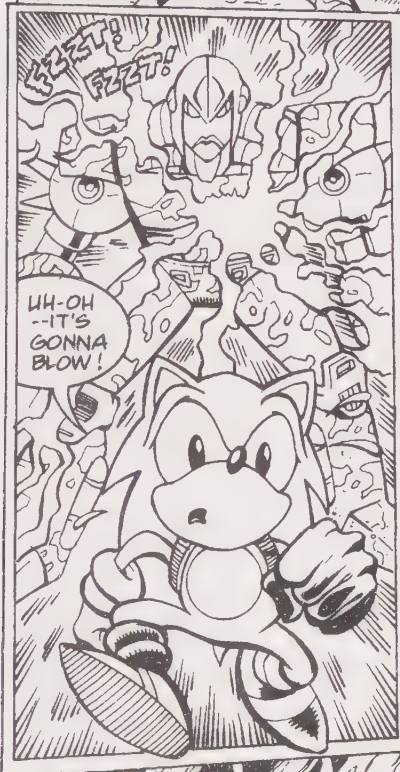
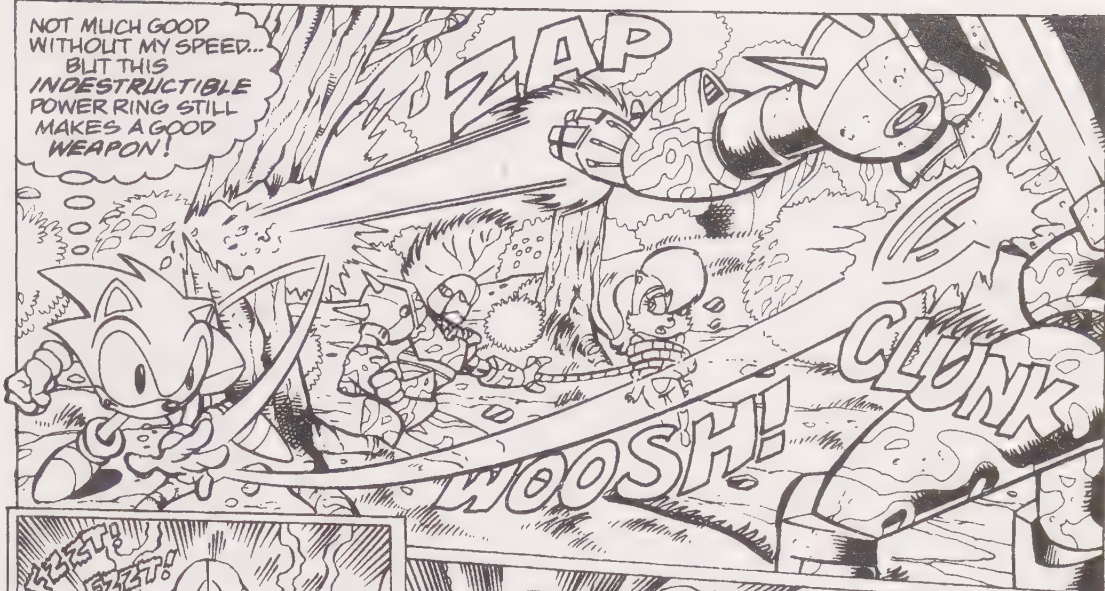
TAILS!

BUNNIE!

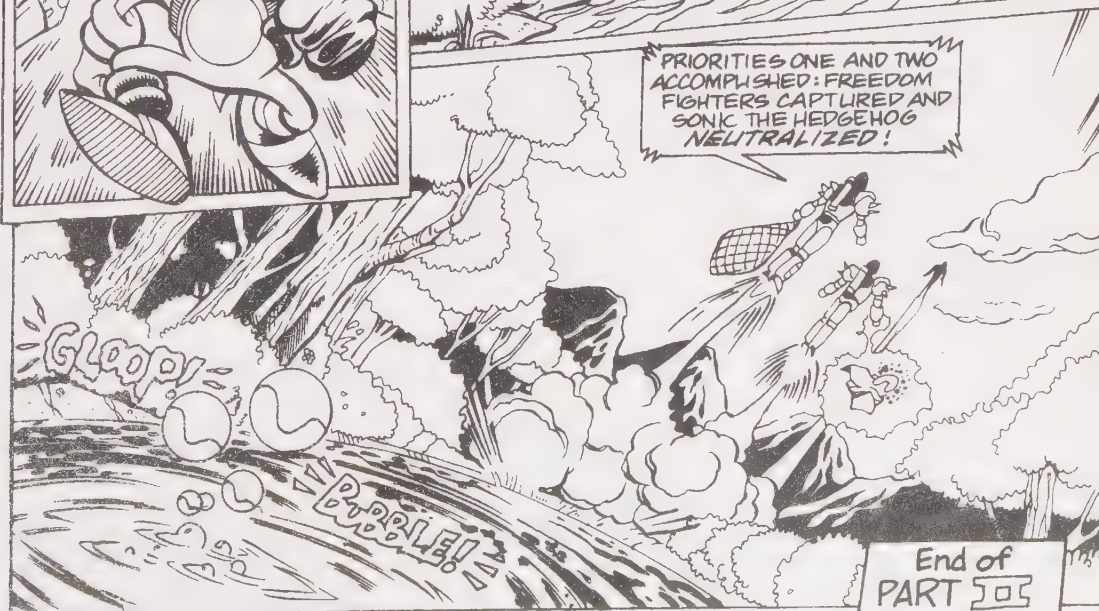
PST!

SPRONG!

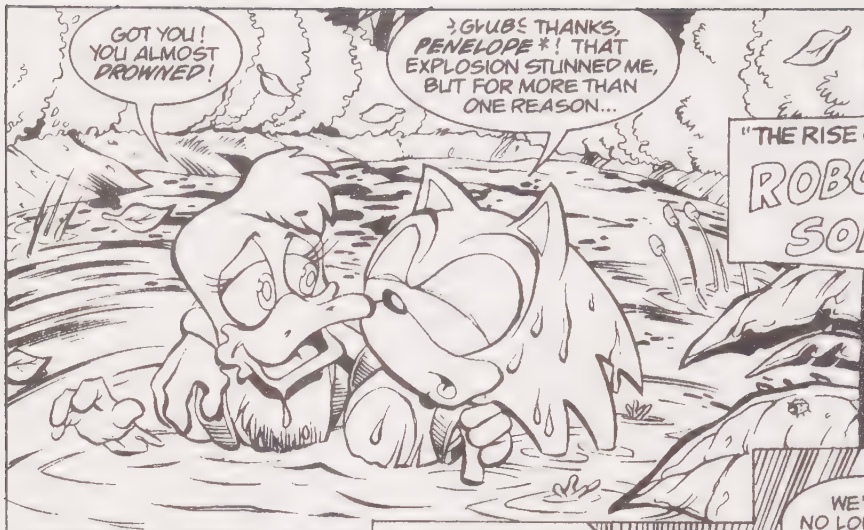
NOT MUCH GOOD
WITHOUT MY SPEED...
BUT THIS
INDESTRUCTIBLE
POWER RING STILL
MAKES A GOOD
WEAPON!



PRIORITIES ONE AND TWO
ACCOMPLISHED: FREEDOM
FIGHTERS CAPTURED AND
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
NEUTRALIZED!



End of
PART I

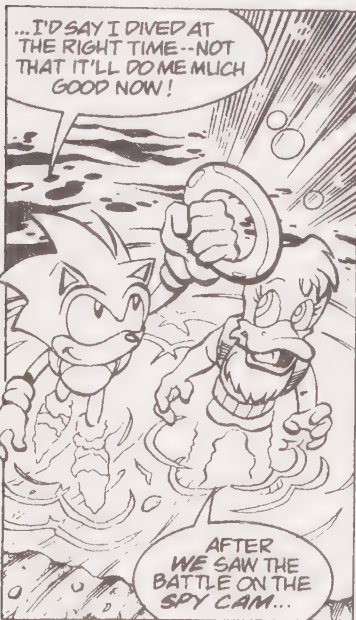


GOT YOU!
YOU ALMOST
PROWNEED!

2 GUVES THANKS,
PENELOPE *! THAT
EXPLOSION STUNNED ME,
BUT FOR MORE THAN
ONE REASON...

"THE RISE OF
ROBOTROPOLIS...
THE FALL OF
SONIC!"

PART
III



...I'D SAY I DIVED AT
THE RIGHT TIME--NOT
THAT IT'LL DO ME MUCH
GOOD NOW!

AFTER
WE SAW THE
BATTLE ON THE
SPY CAM...



...WE GOT HERE AS
FAST AS WE
COULD!

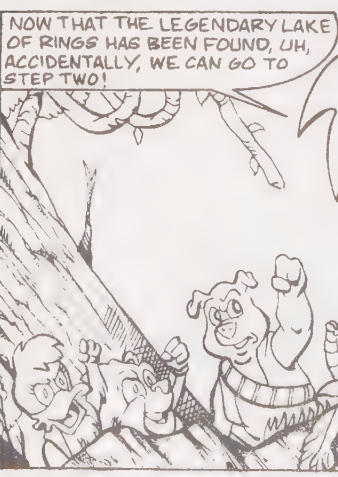
...AND
WE'RE
HERE TO
HELP!

WHOA!
SALLY'S
TRAINEES!*

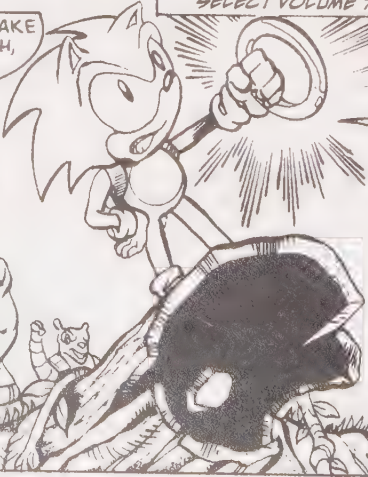
WE'RE
NO LONGER
TRAINEES...

...AND
WE WON'T
REST 'TIL
EVERYONE'S
RESCUED!

*REMEMBER THEM FROM SONIC
SELECT VOLUME 7? -- EDITOR

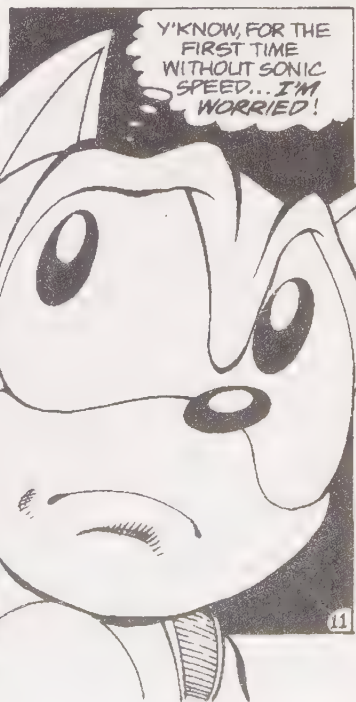
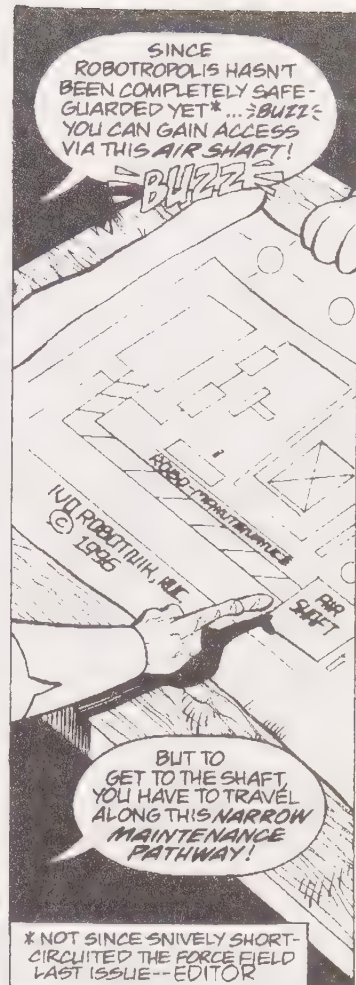
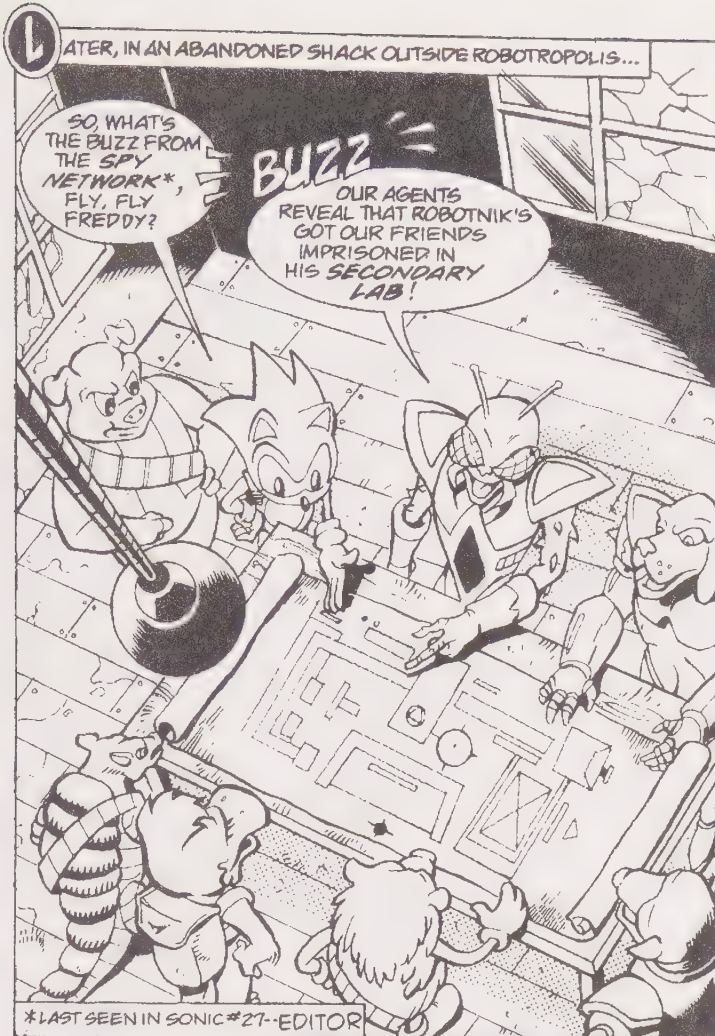


NOW THAT THE LEGENDARY LAKE
OF RINGS HAS BEEN FOUND, UH,
ACCIDENTALLY, WE CAN GO TO
STEP TWO!



O.K. "FREEDOM
FIGHTERS"! I'M BACK TO
ONE POWER RING AND I
STILL DON'T HAVE MY
SPEED...

...BUT,
SPEED OR NO
SPEED--WE'RE
GOING IN!



A

AS OUR HEROES
TRAVEL THE
PATHWAY...

TAKE IT
SLOW! ONE WRONG
STEP AND IT'S A
SIXTY-FOOT
DROP!

"TAKE IT SLOW!"
WHO'S HE KIDDING?
WHEN I HAD MY SPEED,
THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN
A CAKEWALK!

WHOA,
NELLIE!

CREAK!

GOTCHA!

AFTER ALL,
SINCE PORCUPINES
AND HEDGEHOGS
ARE RELATED,
I WOULDN'T WANT
TO LOSE A
"FAMILY
MEMBER"!

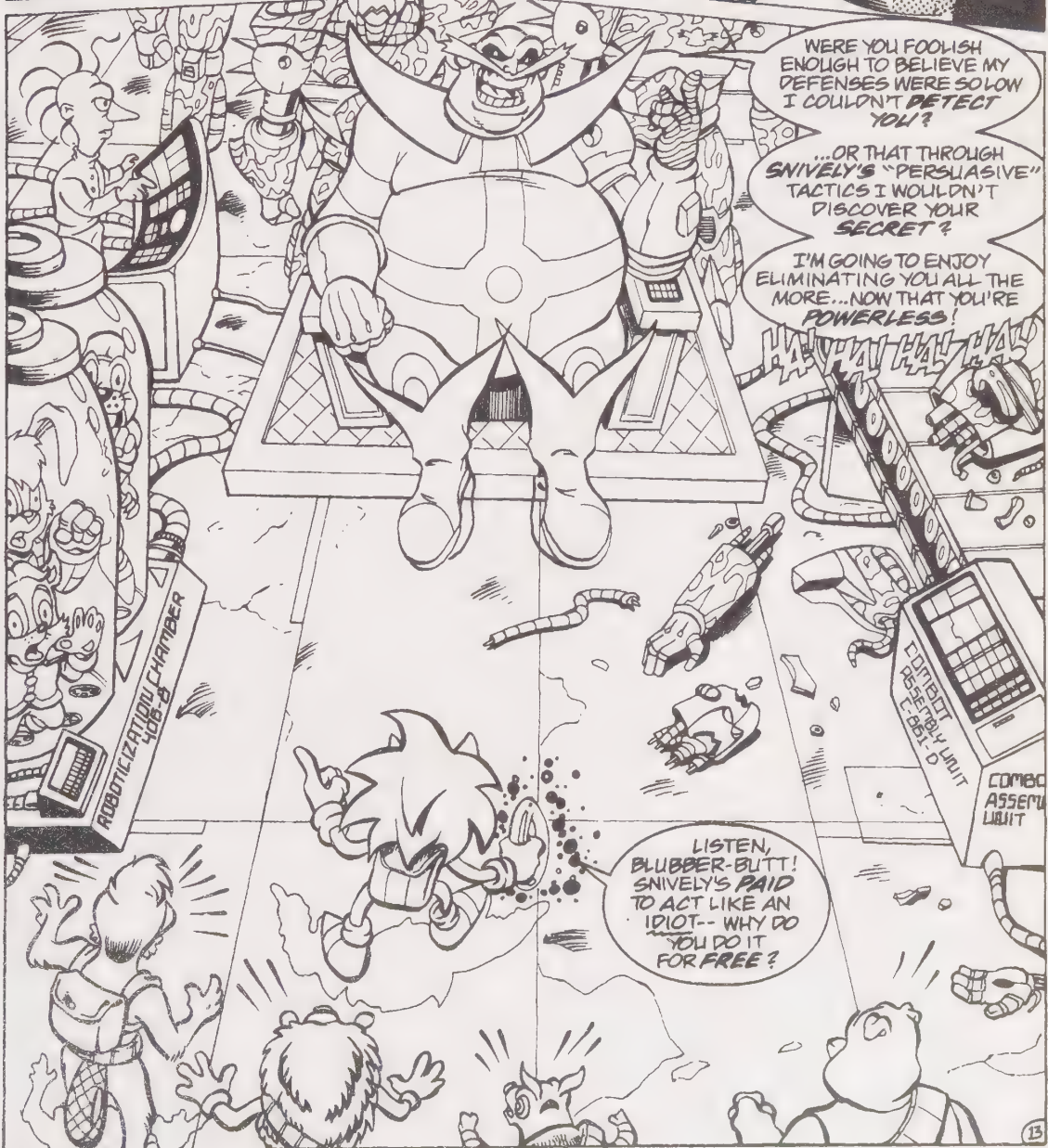
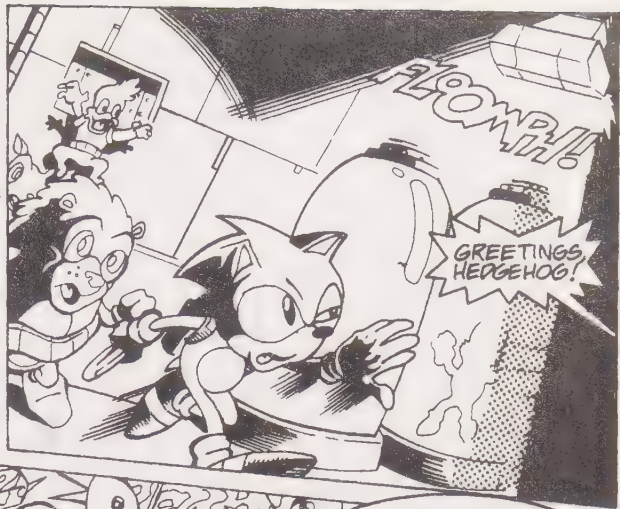
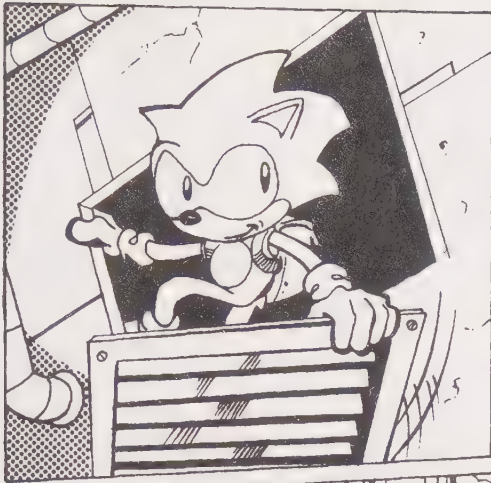
SLAP!

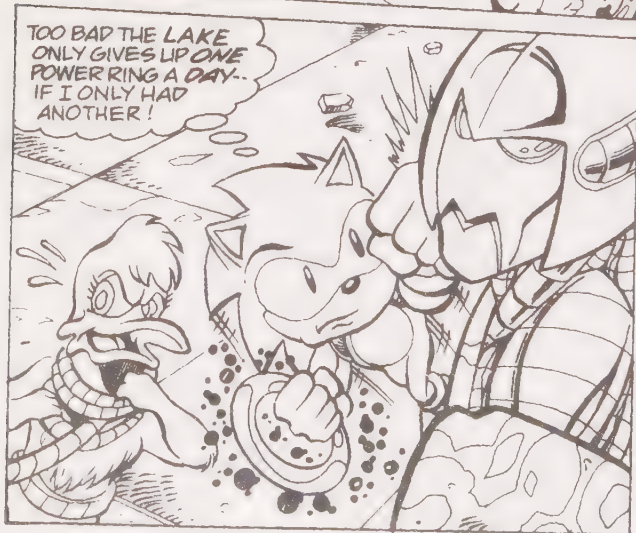
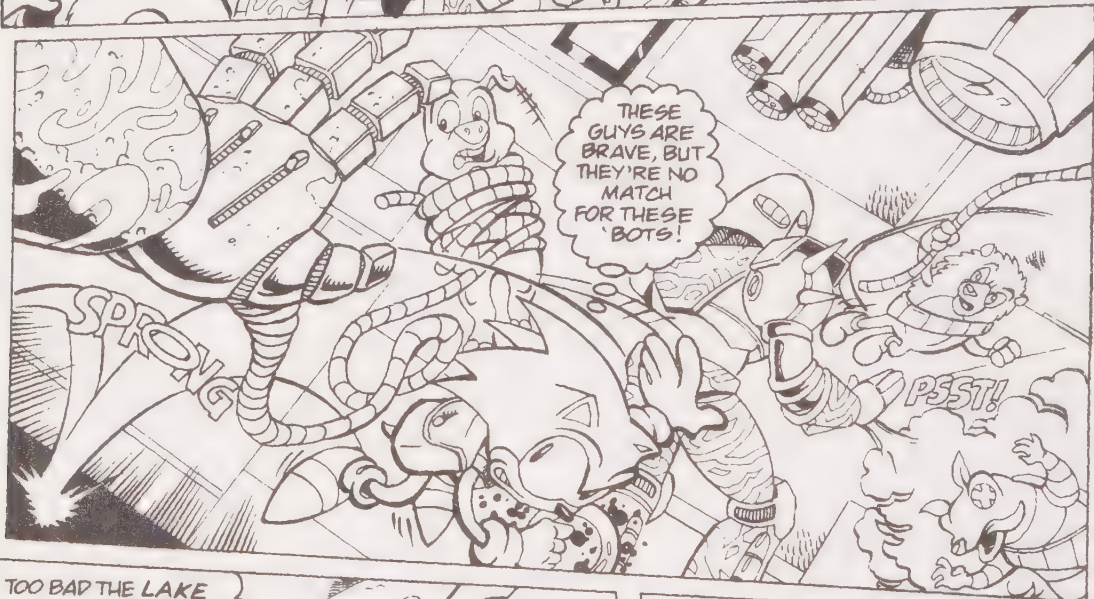
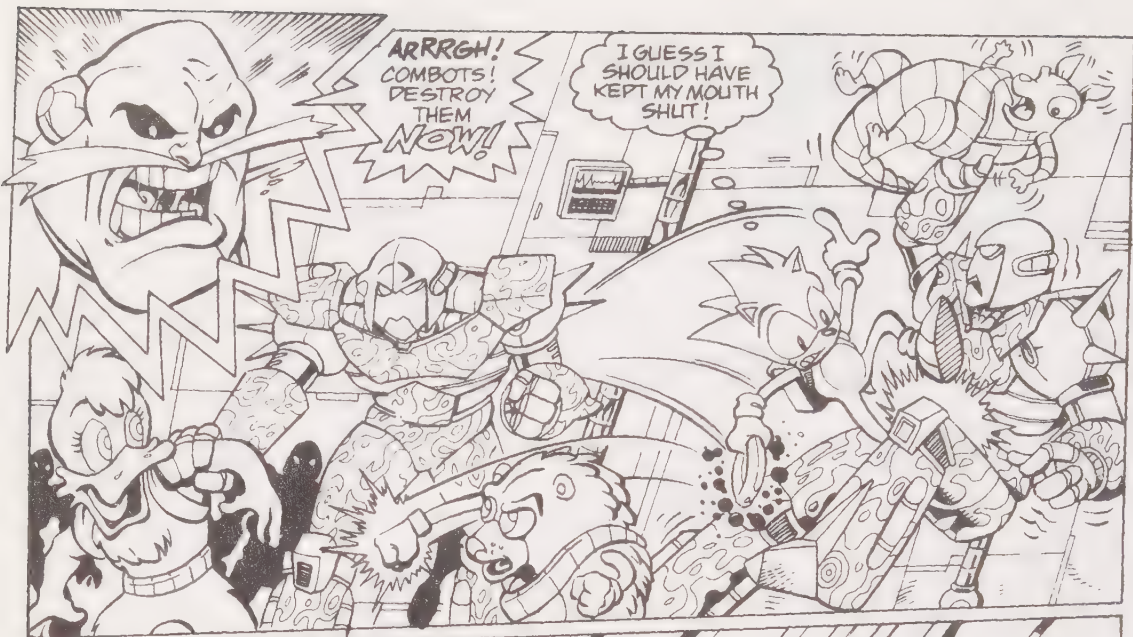
YOU'RE
NO COUSIN
OF MINE,
PORKY!

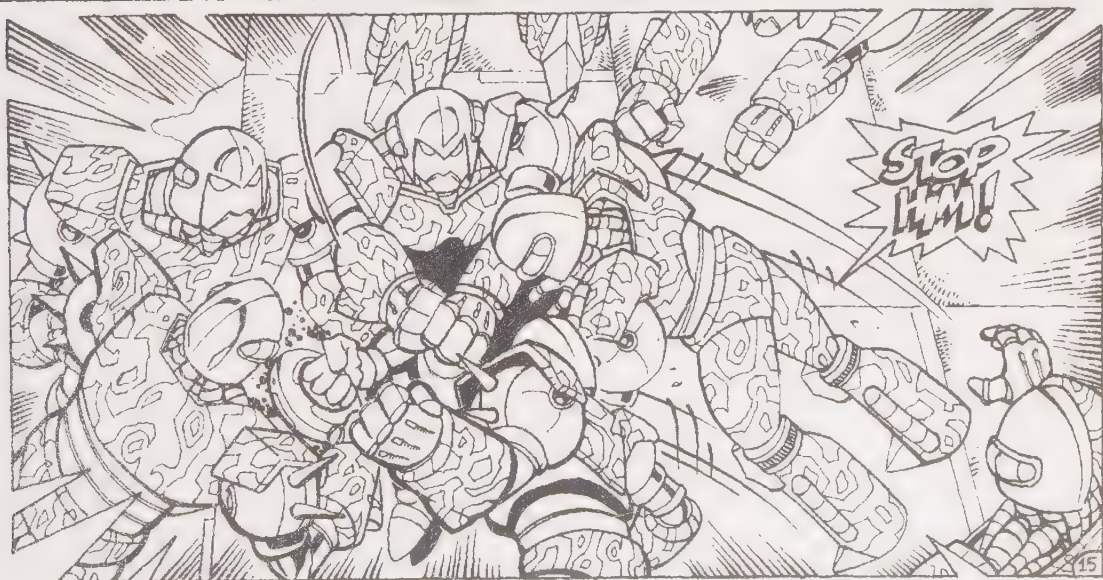
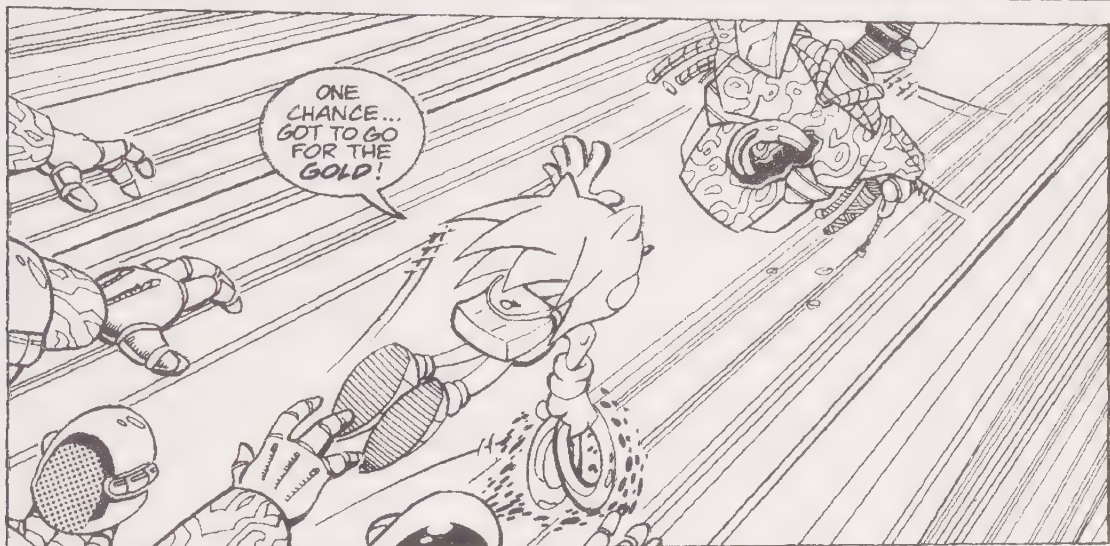
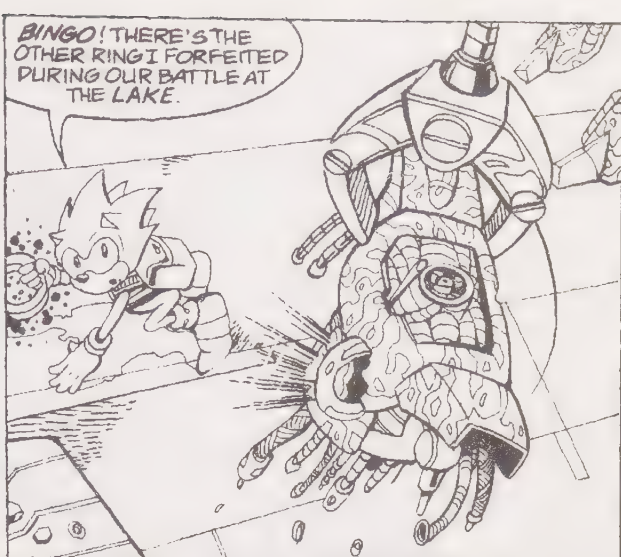
C'MON,
SONIC! THIS IS
NO TIME FOR
A QUARREL! WE'RE
COUNTING ON YOUR
LEADERSHIP!

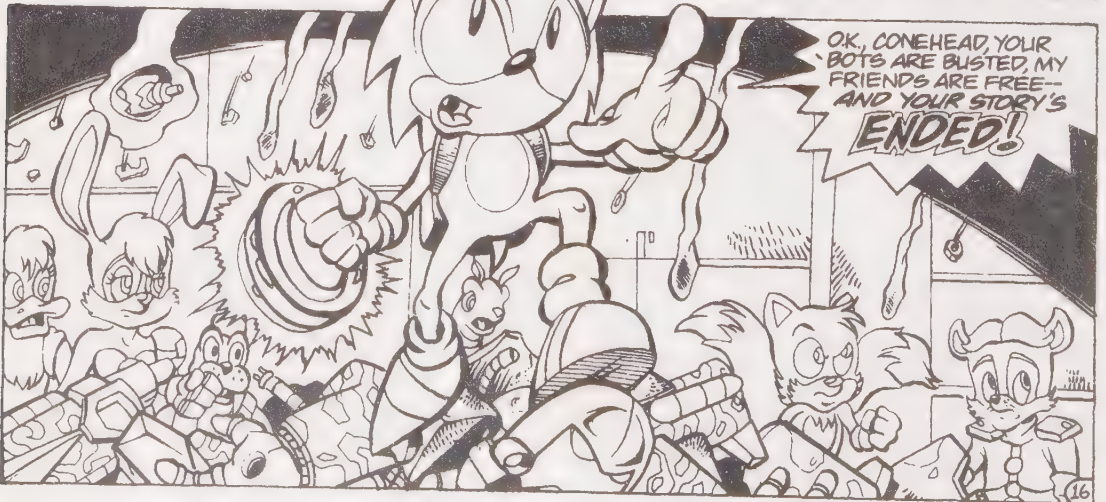
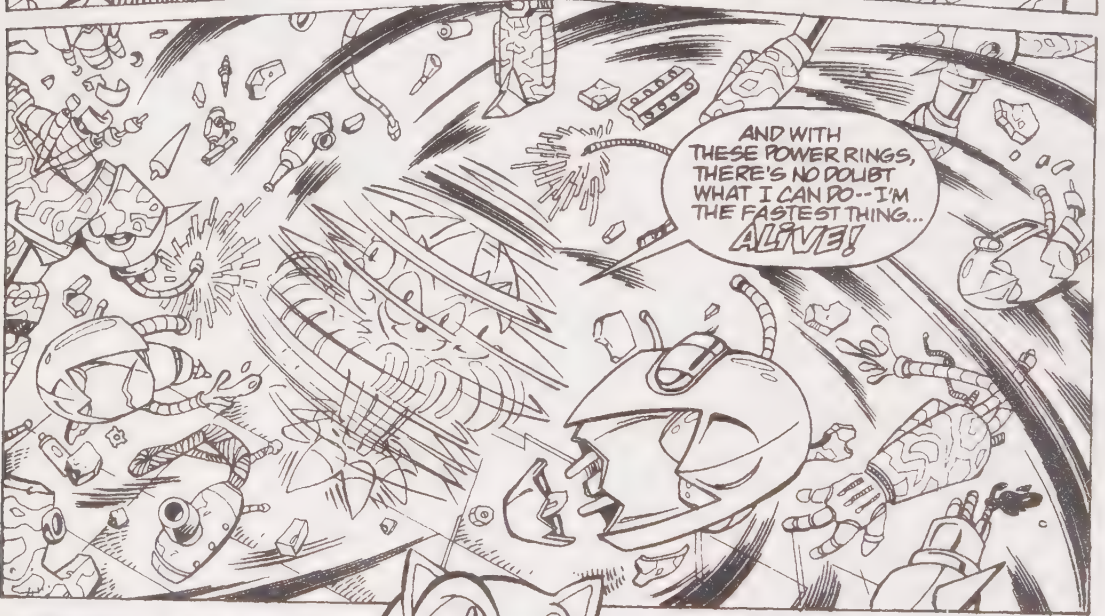
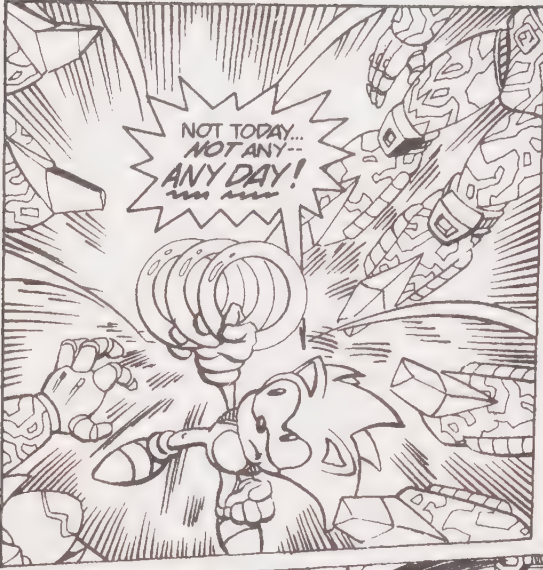
SHE'S RIGHT! FOR
ALL OUR SAKES, WE'VE
GOT TO KEEP OUR
COURAGE UP!

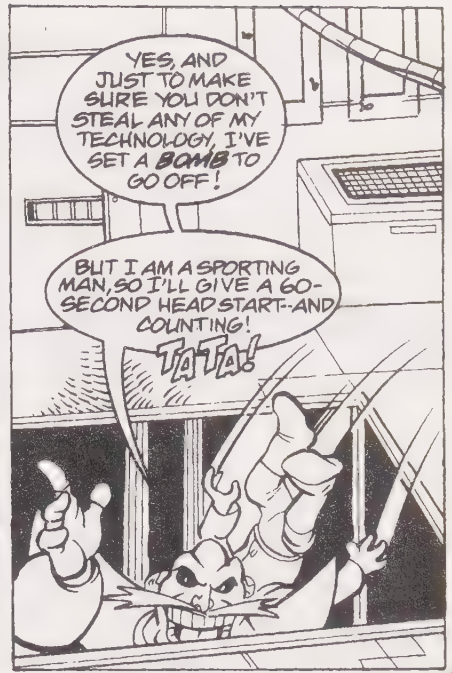
WE'RE HERE!
IT'S GOING TO BE A
TIGHT FIT! TAKE IT
EASY AND KEEP IT
QUIET!







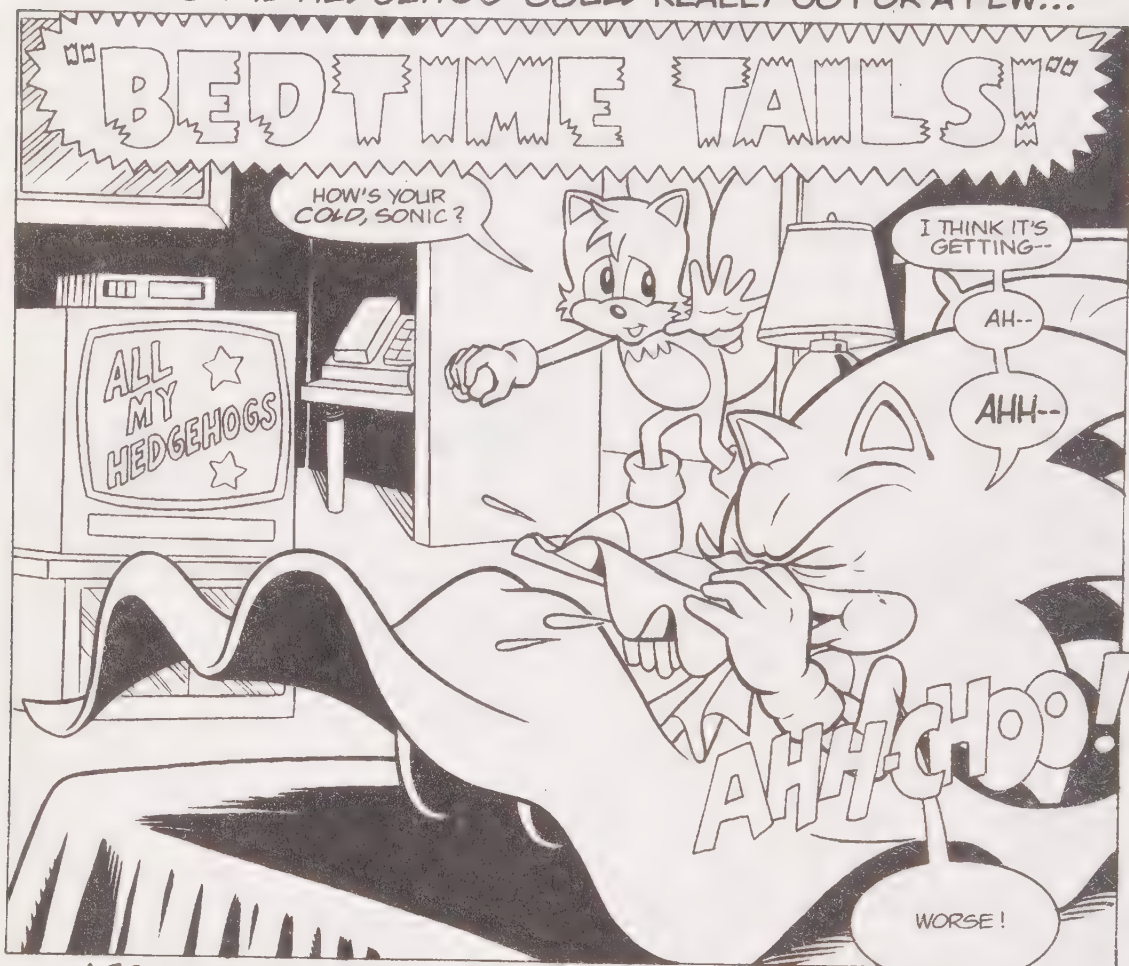




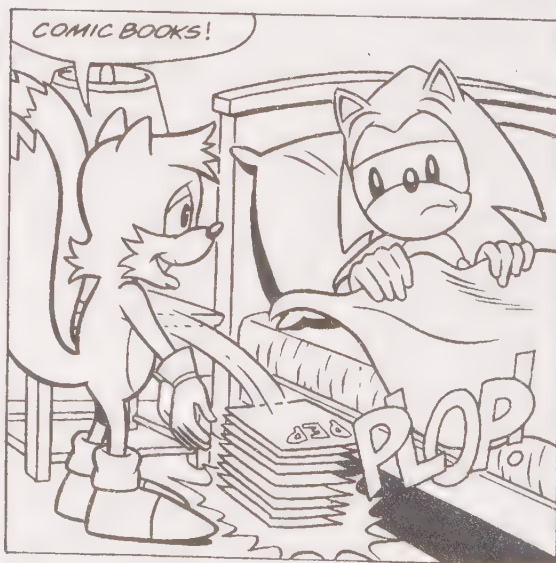
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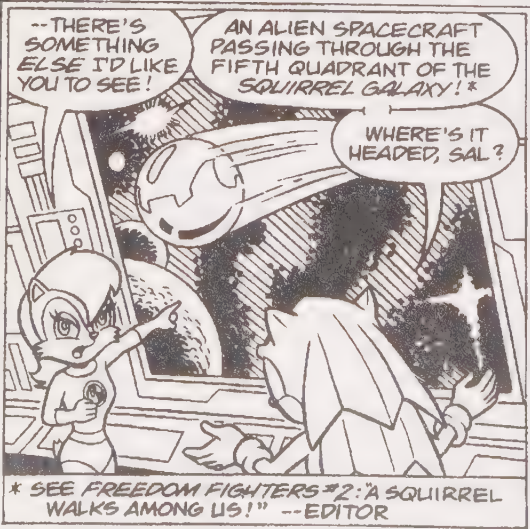
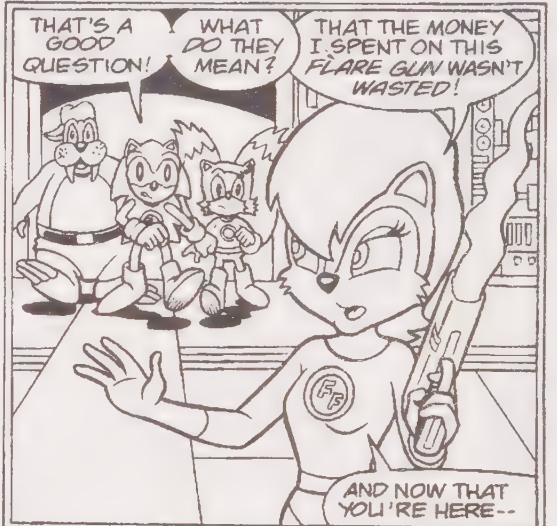
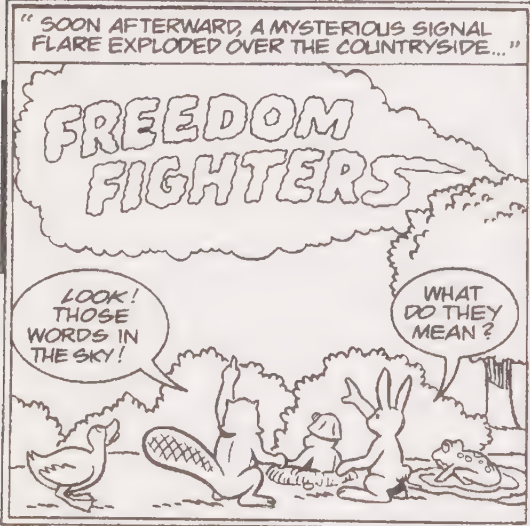
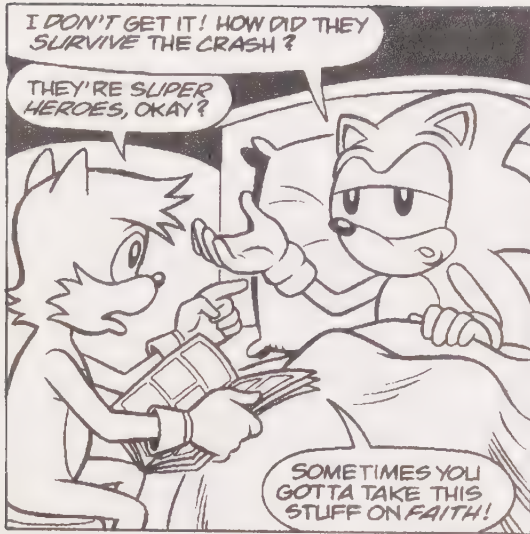


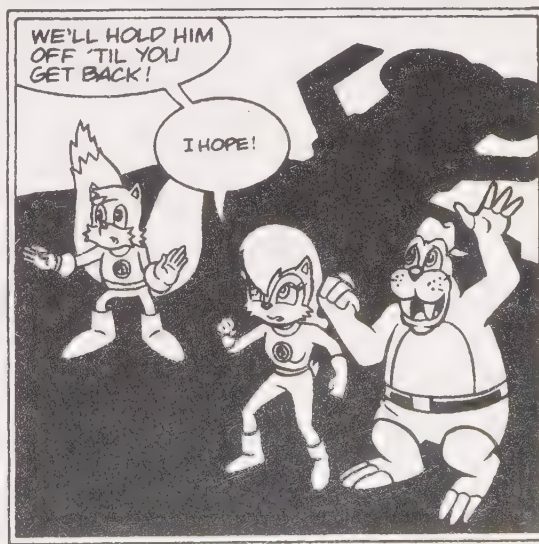
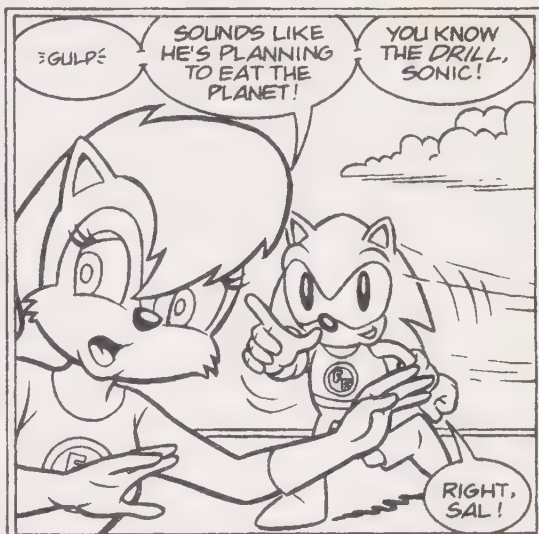
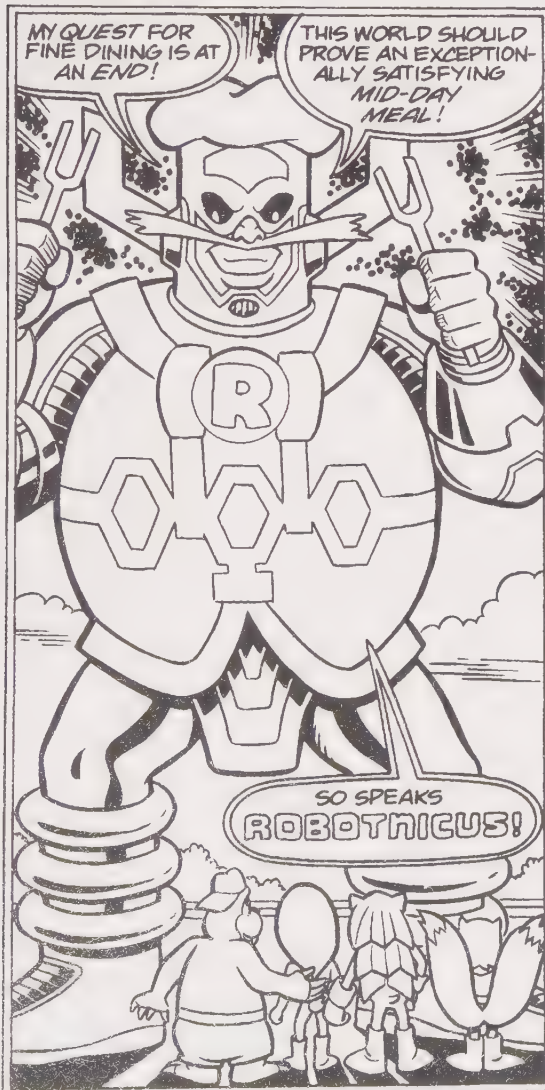
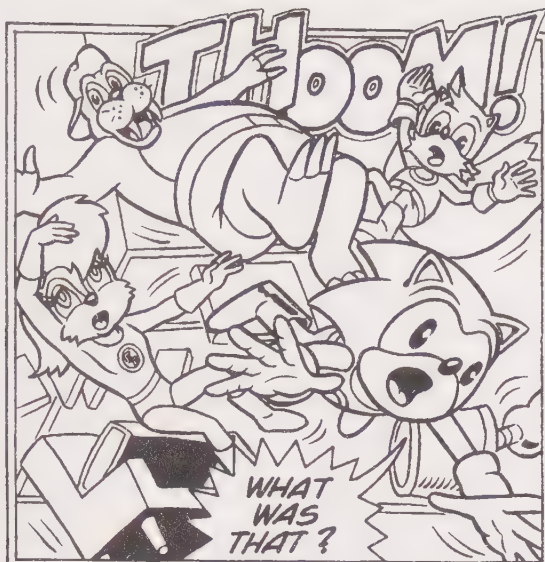
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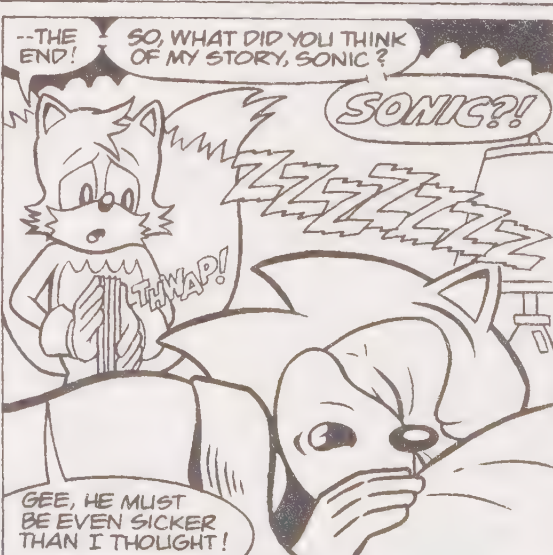
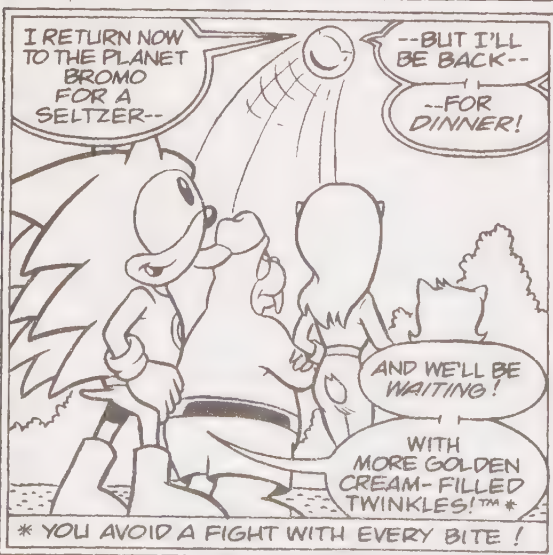
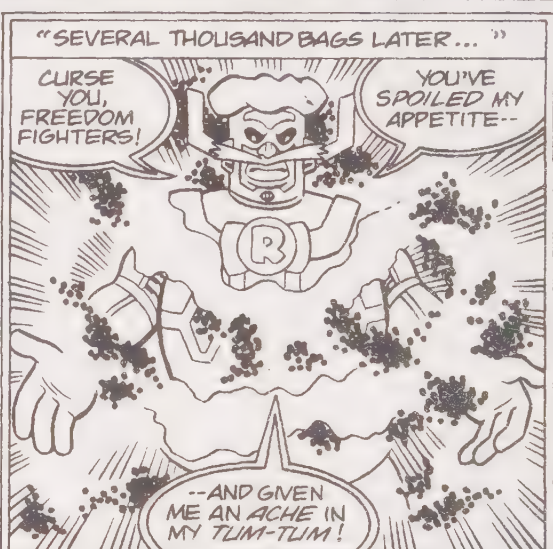
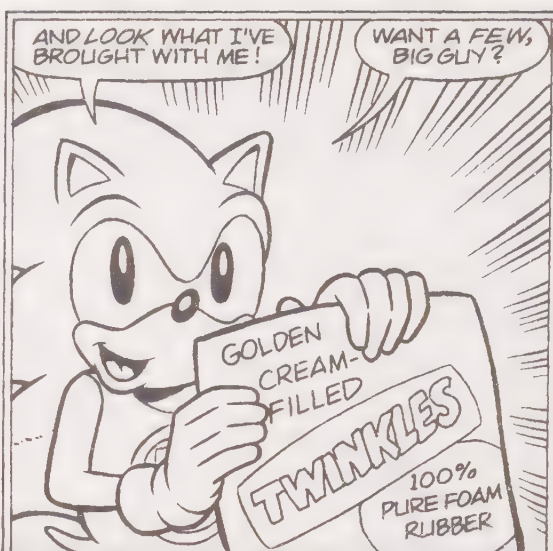
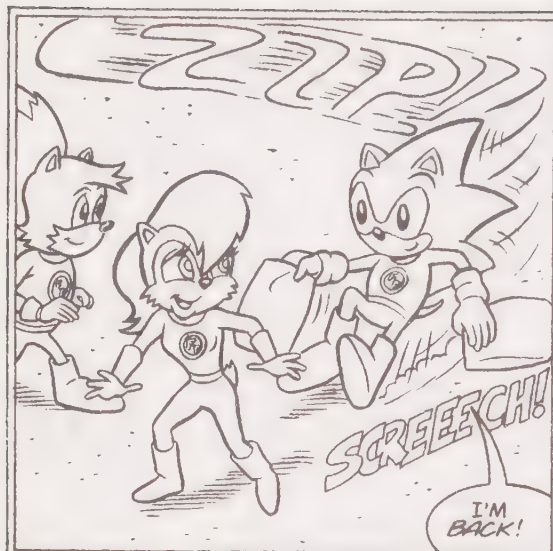


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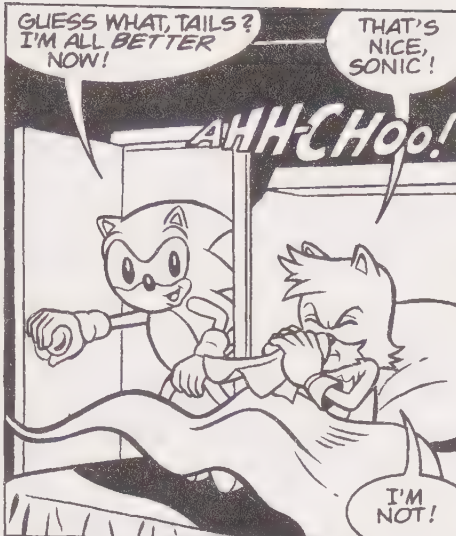








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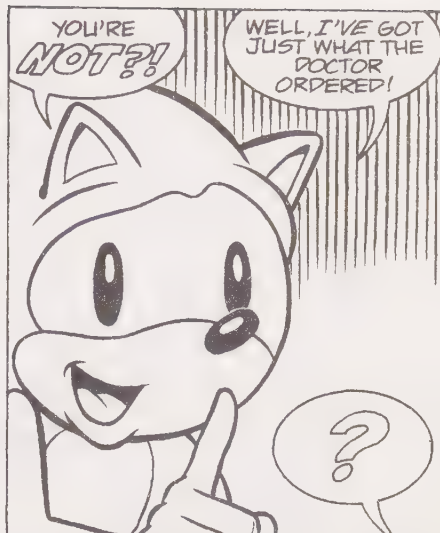


GUESS WHAT, TAILS?
I'M ALL BETTER
NOW!

THAT'S
NICE,
SONIC!

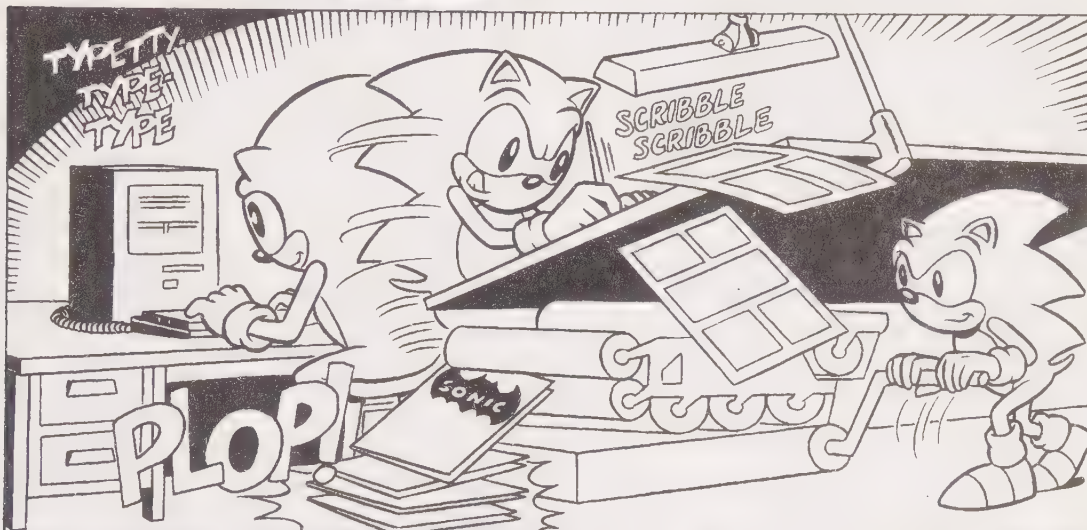
AHH-CHOO!

I'M
NOT!



YOU'RE
NOT?!

WELL, I'VE GOT
JUST WHAT THE
DOCTOR
ORDERED!



TYPE
TYPE
TYPE
TYPE
TYPE

SCRIBBLE
SCRIBBLE

PLOP!



COMIC
BOOKS!

BAT-SONIC
HOLY NEW LOOK SONIC FANS!
THE DARK HORSE RETURNS



~AHHEM!~

"HE WAS A DARK AND
STORMY KNIGHT..."

~GROAN~

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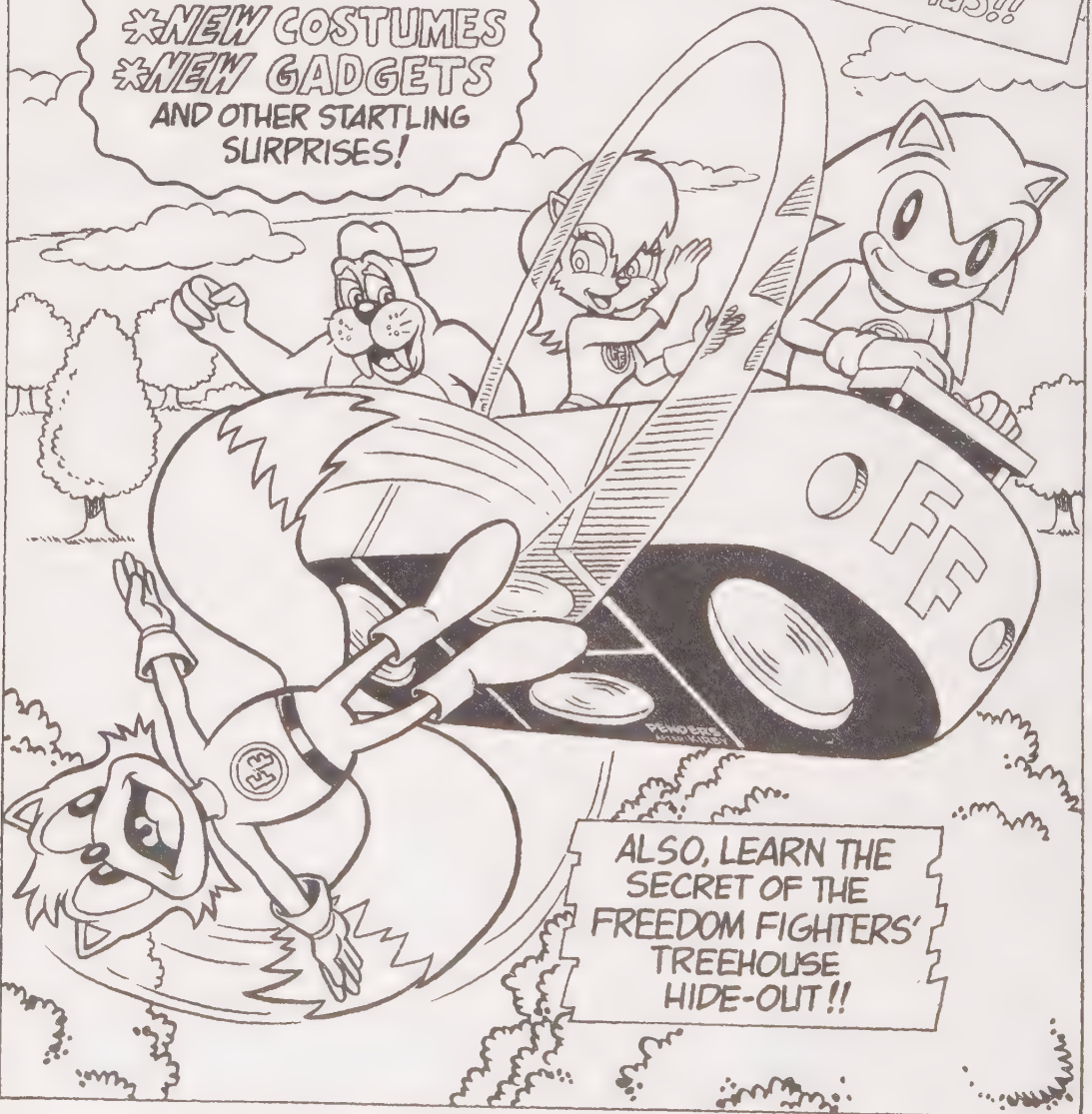
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AND OTHER STARTLING
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**HOLY
NEW-LOOK,
SONIC FANS!!**

**DON'T
MISS...
The
DARK
HOG
RETURNS.**



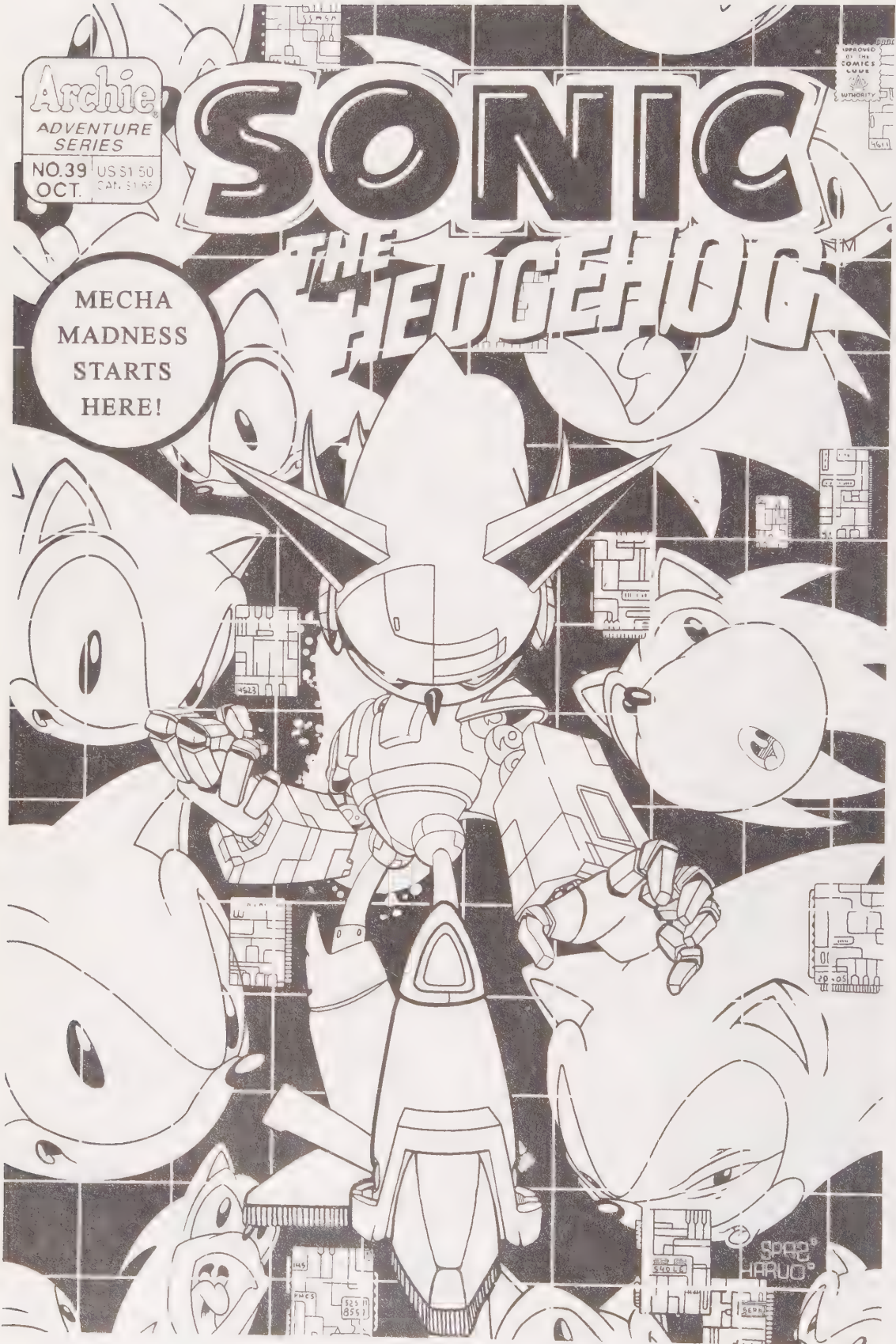
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MADNESS
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RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE

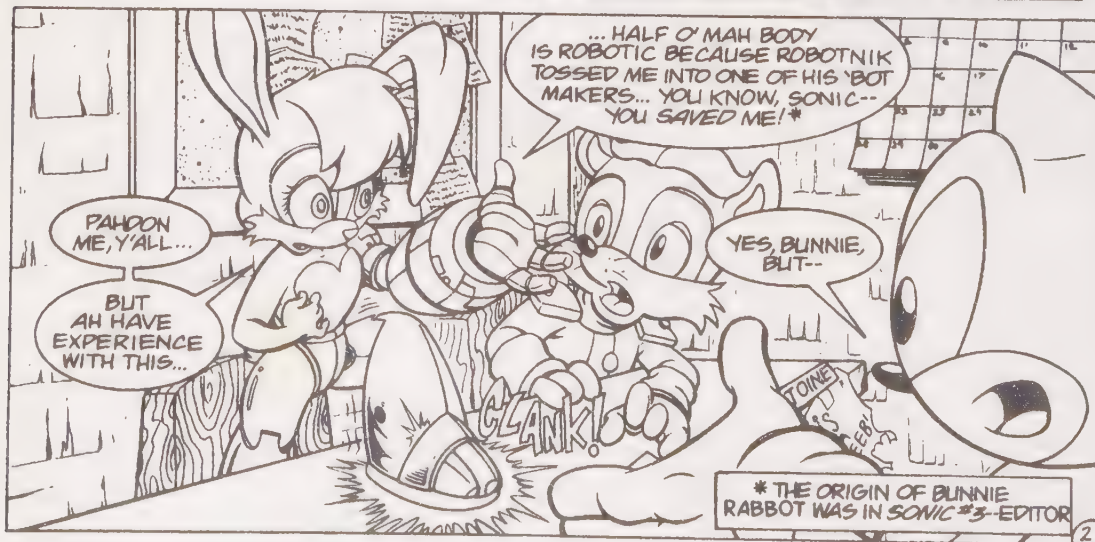
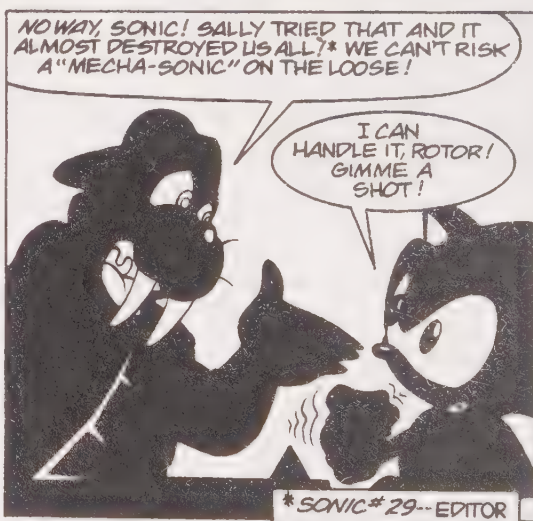
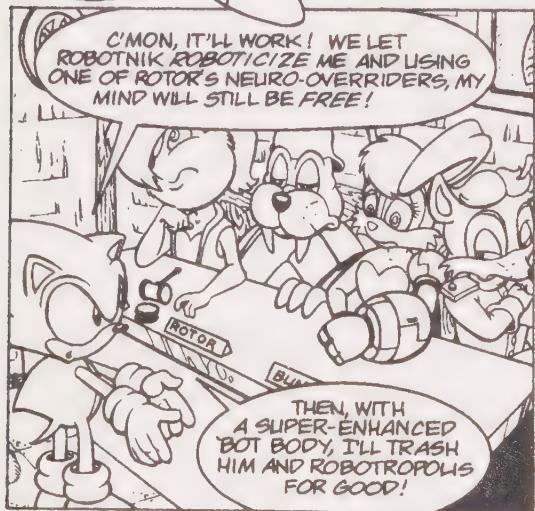
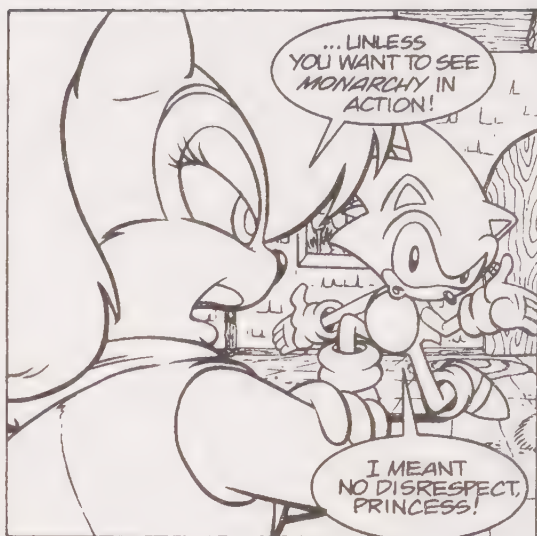
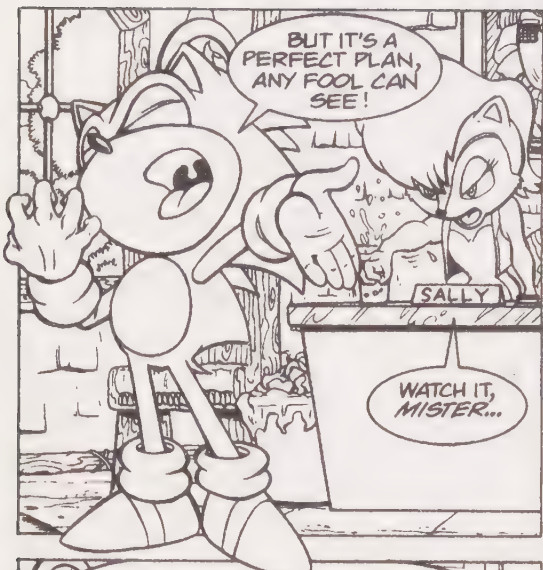
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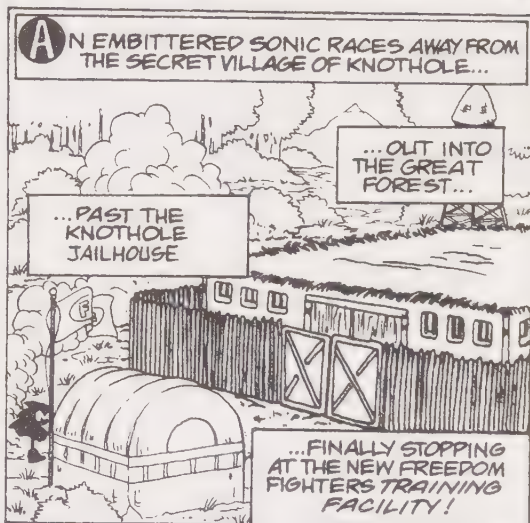
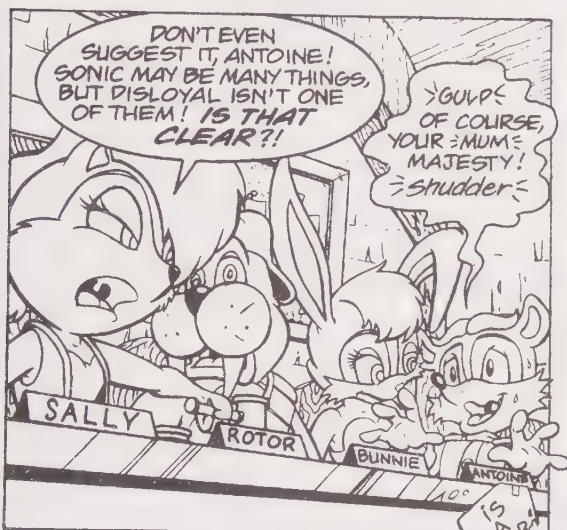
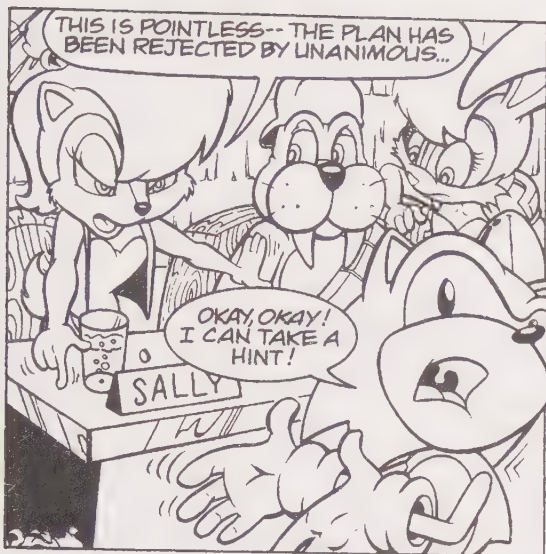
WILL COME TO
ORDER! SORRY YOUR
REQUEST WAS DENIED, BUT
THAT'S DEMOCRACY IN
ACTION!

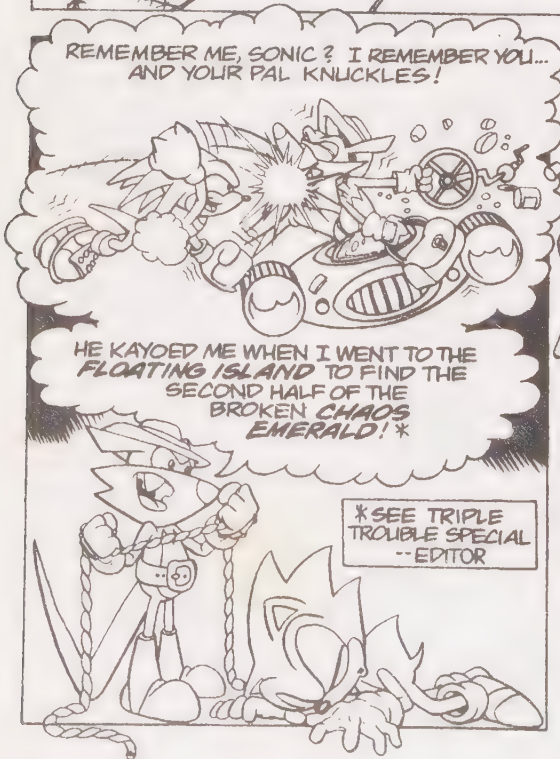
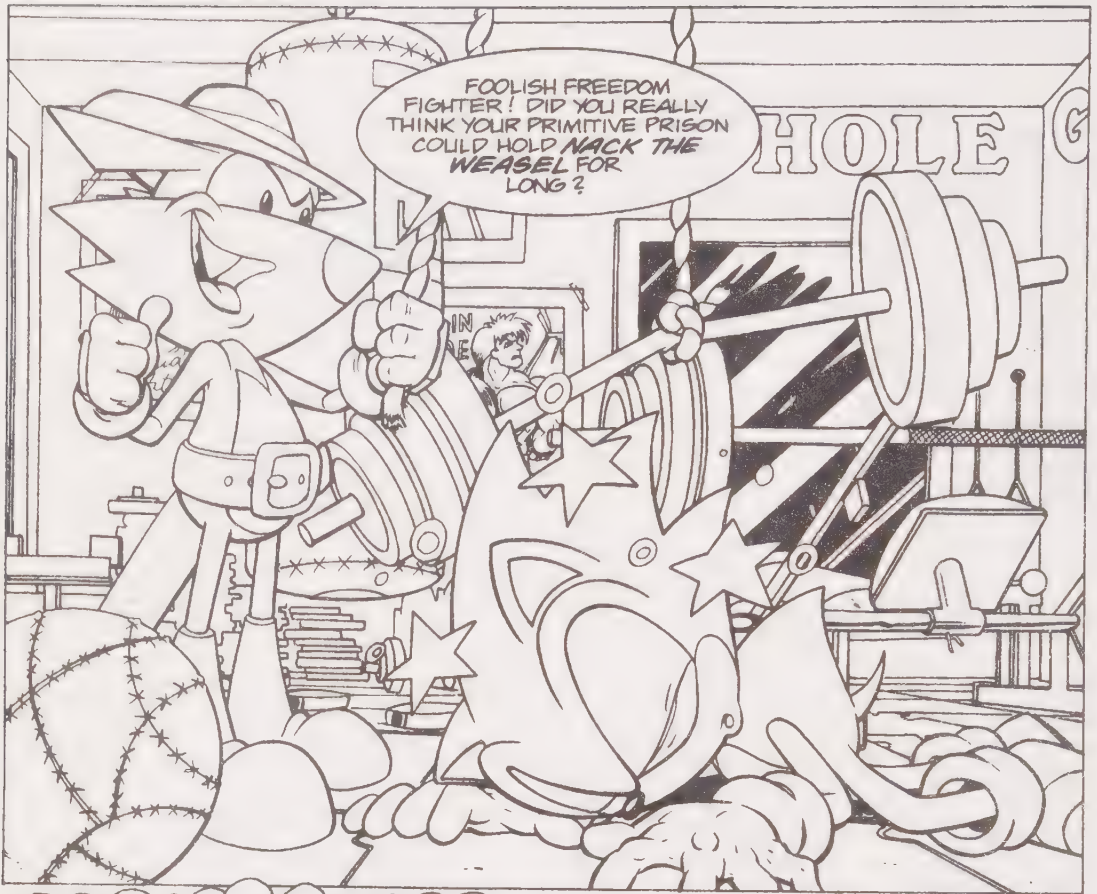
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HE GO INTO A SONIC
SPIN!!

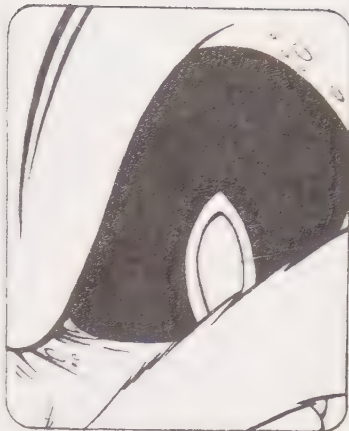
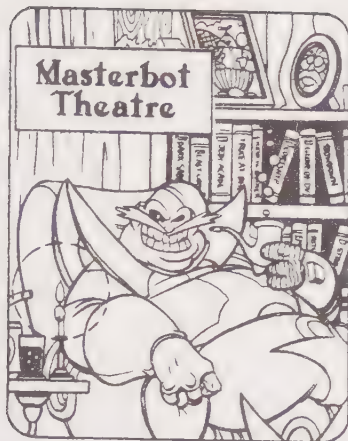
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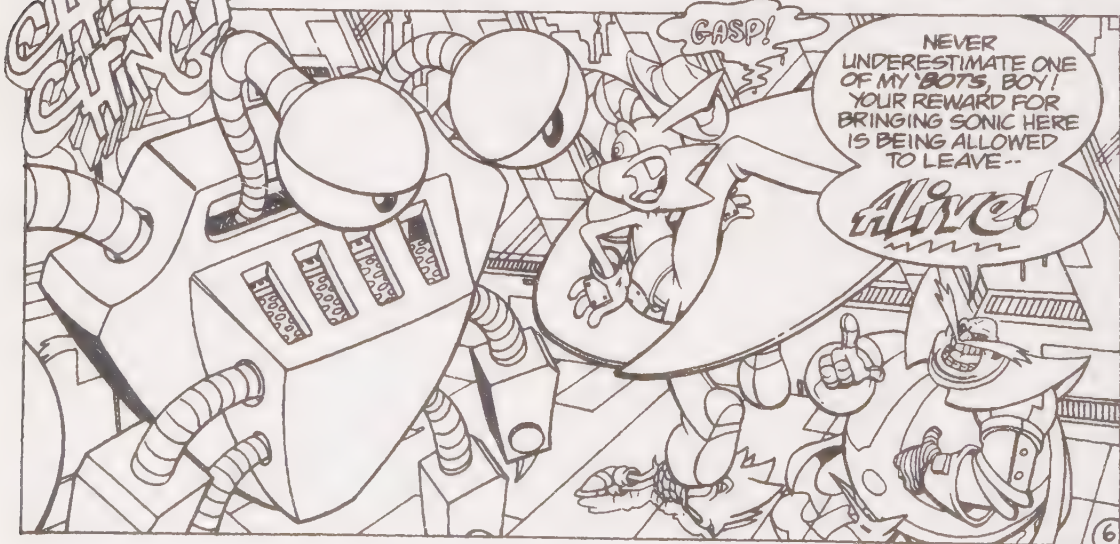
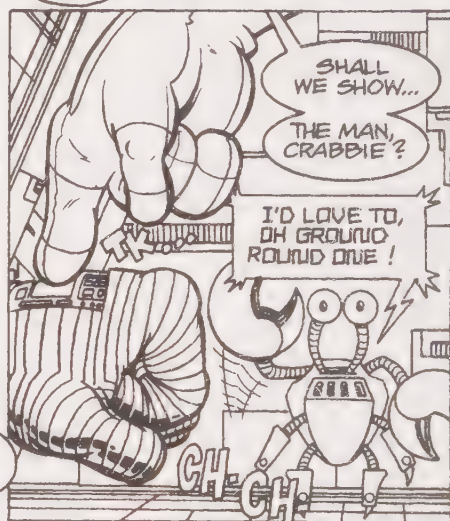
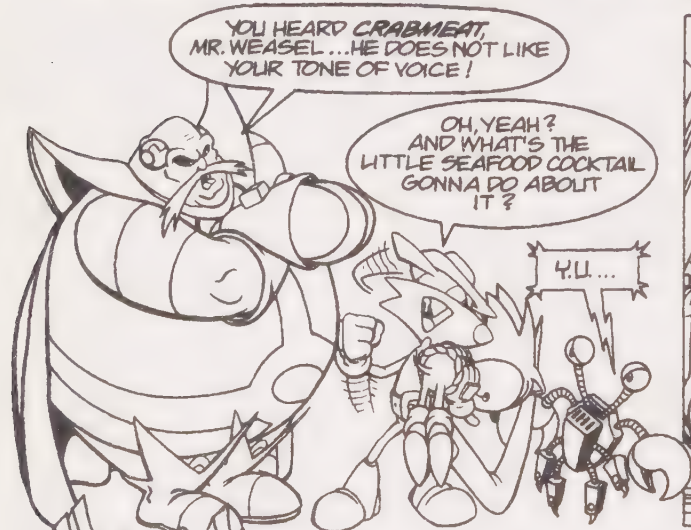
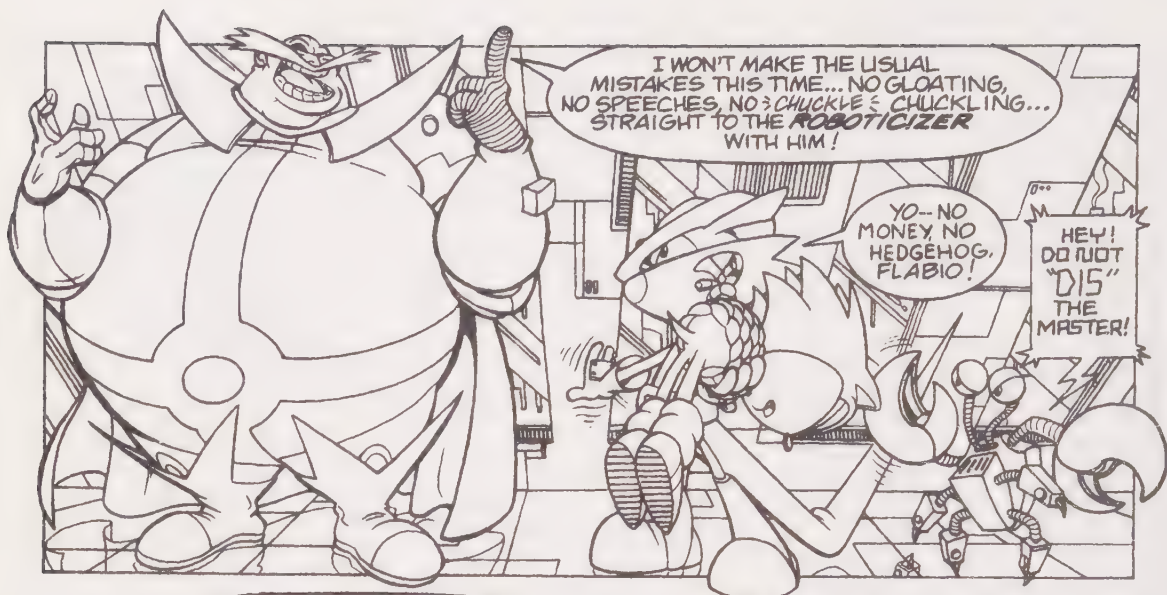


AH, WELCOME BACK, GENTLE READER... NOW, WHERE WERE WE?

AH, YES... THE RENEGADE BOUNTY HUNTER *NACK THE WEASEL* HAD CAPTURED SONIC...

... AND HE SOON DELIVERED THE HATED HEDGEHOG TO HIS 3 SNICKER!E DOOM!







ALL OF SONIC'S
REMARKABLE POWERS HAVE
BEEN DIGITIZED, MAXIMIZED AND
MULTIPLIED INTO THIS MAGNIFICENT
ION-POWERED MEGA-
MACHINE!

CAN IT
BE
TRUSTED
WITH 50
MUCH
POWER?

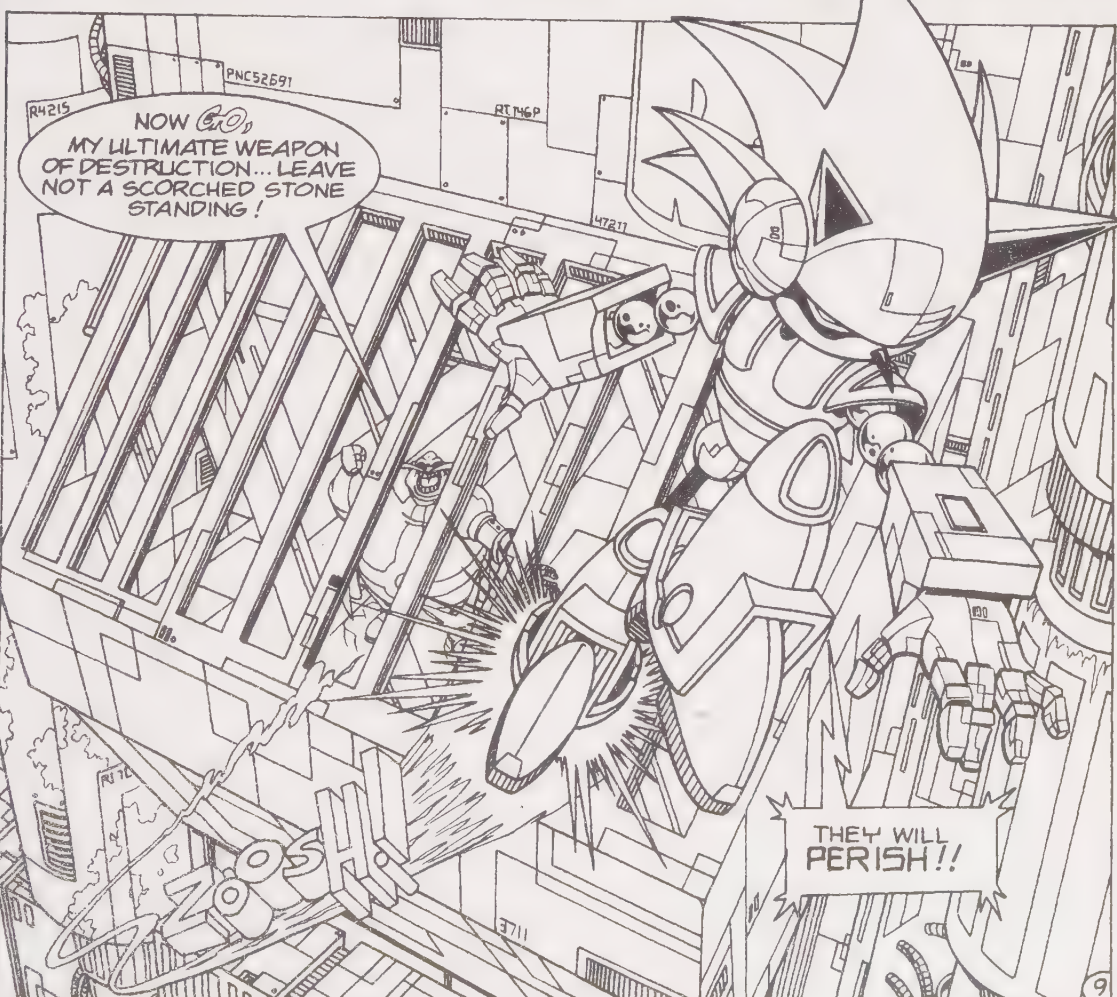
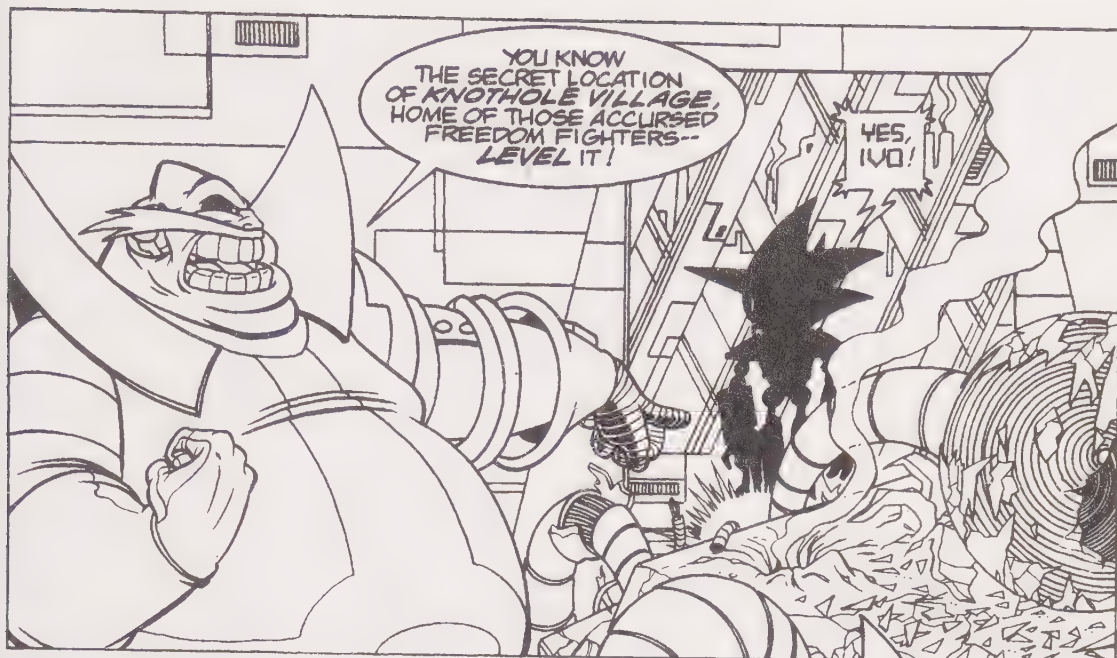
OF COURSE! AFTER MY ENCOUNTER
WITH PRINCESS SALLY, I UPGRADED ALL MY
ROBOTICIZERS WITH "BRAIN BURN-THRU"
IT'S A NEW FEATURE THAT ASSURES
CONTROL, RIGHT, *MECHA-SONIC*?

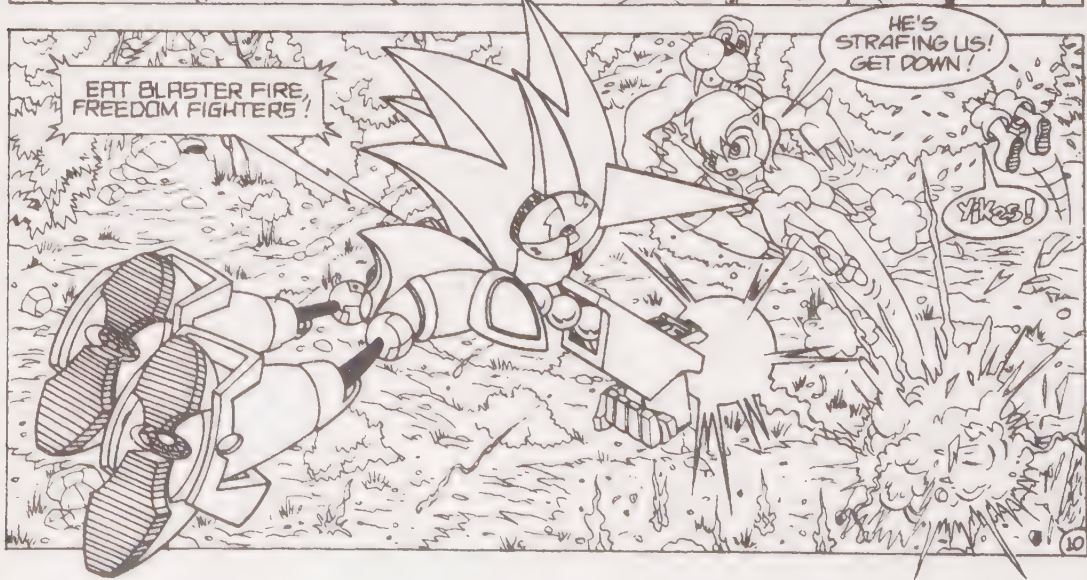
ROBOTNIK'S
WORD
IS LAW!

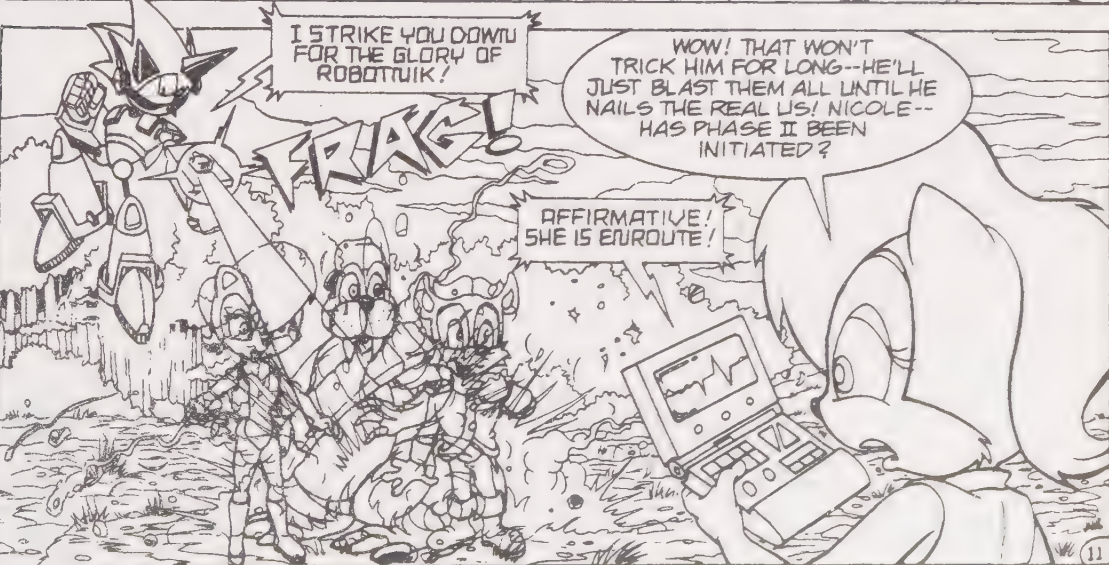
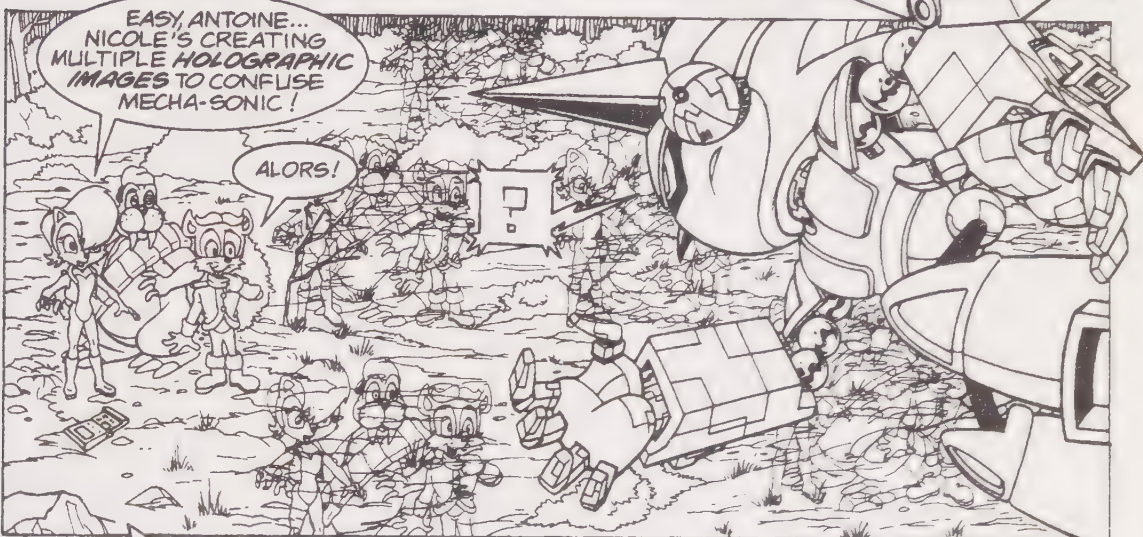
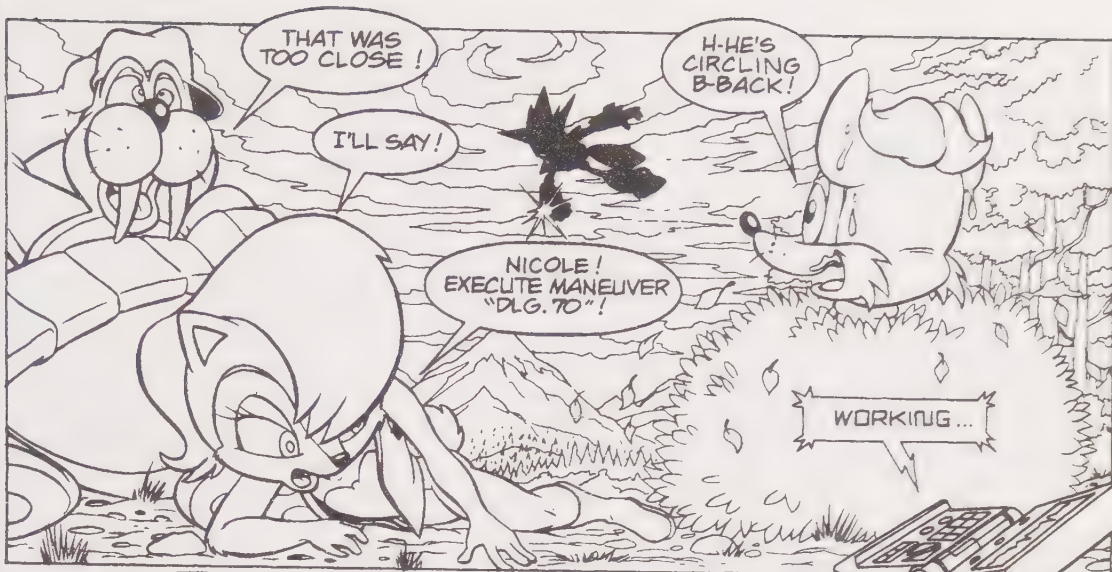
AND NOW, A
DEMONSTRATION OF
POWER FOR MY FORMER
EMPLOYEE OF THE
MONTH!

AT YOUR
COMMAND!

ZOOM!

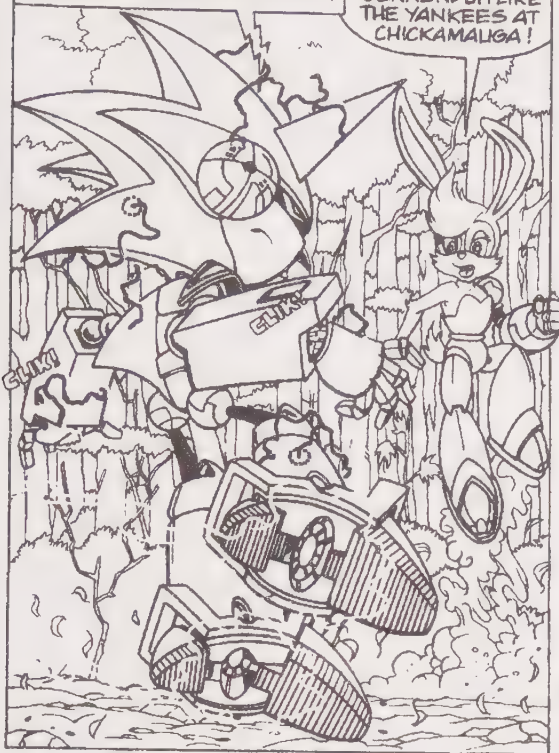






SUBJECT: B.RABBOT/ROBO
ENHANCEMENT INTERRUPTED--
CURRENTLY FREEDOM FIGHTER.

JUST LAY
DOWN AND
SURRENDUH LIKE
THE YANKEES AT
CHICKAMAUGA!



YOU SHALL BE RETURNED
TO ROBOTROPOLIS SO
YOUR ROBOTILIZATION
CAN BE COMPLETED.

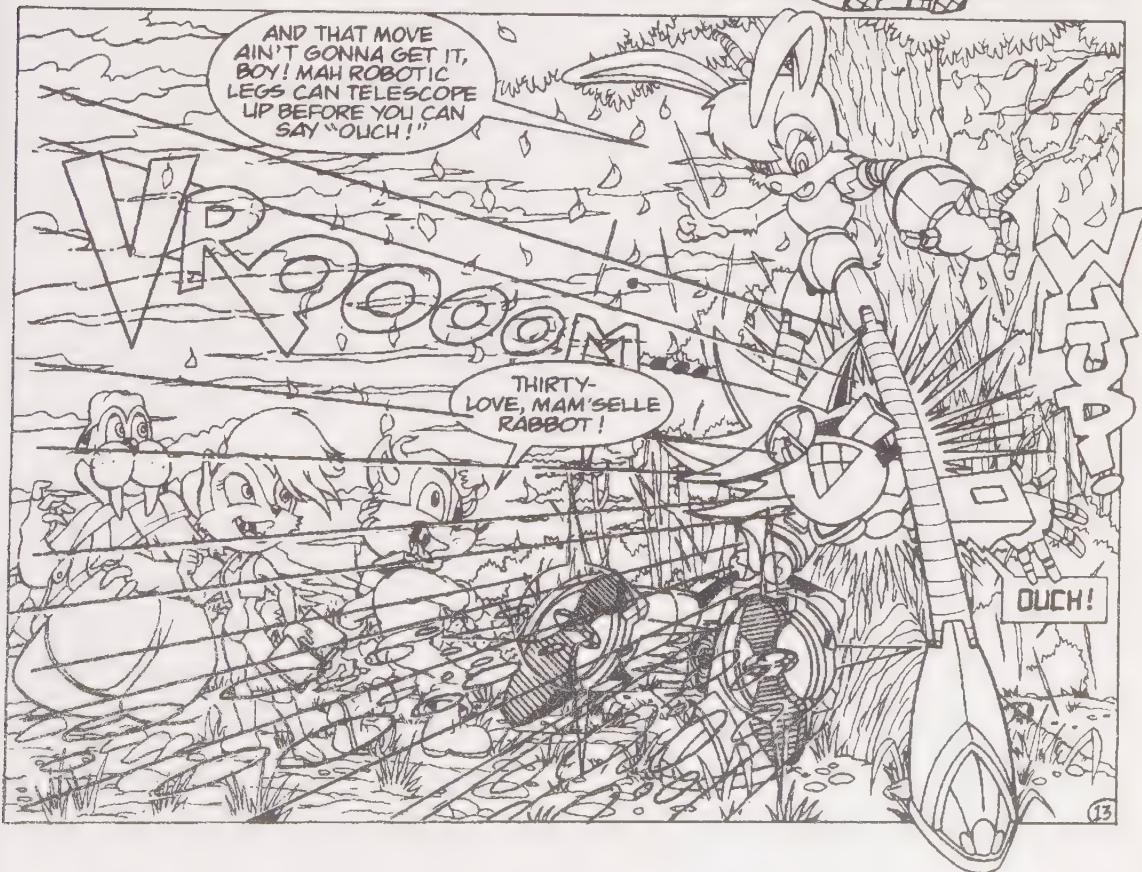
Y'ALL GOTTA
GRAB HOLD O' ME
FIRST, TINTOP!

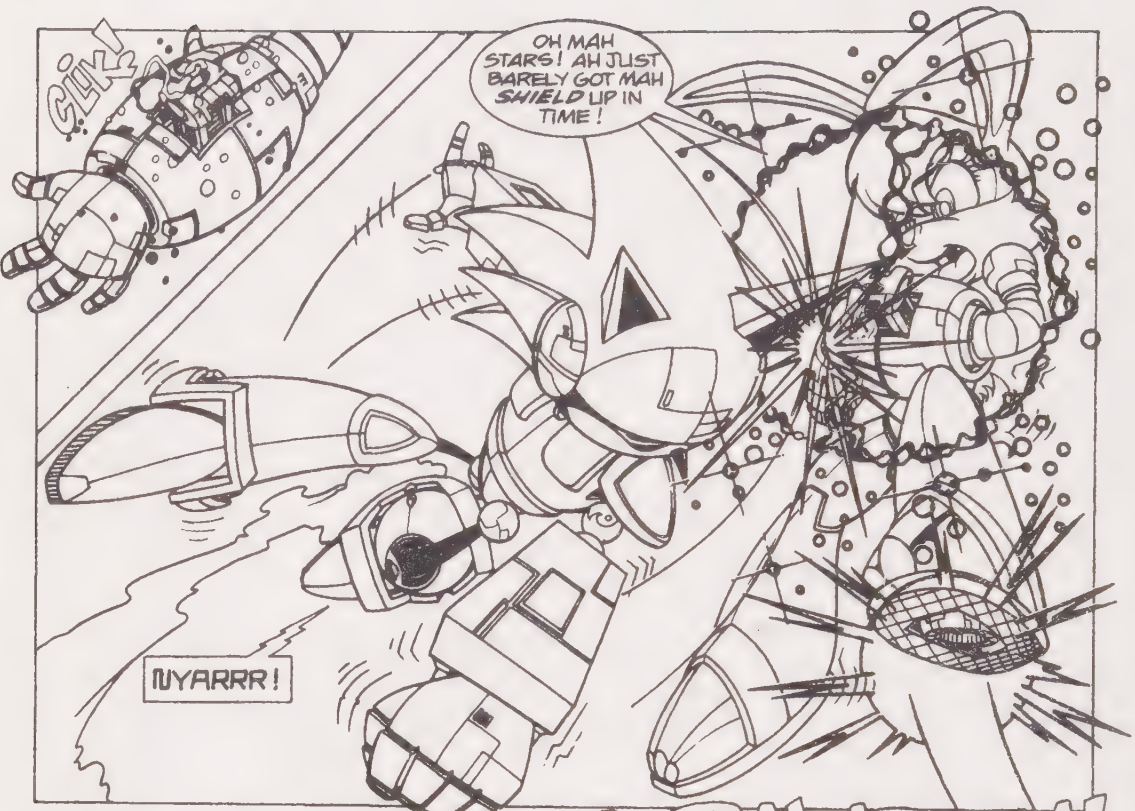


AND THAT MOVE
AIN'T GONNA GET IT,
BOY! MAH ROBOTIC
LEGS CAN TELESCOPE
UP BEFORE YOU CAN
SAY "OUCH!"

THIRTY-
LOVE, MAM'SELLE
RABBOT!

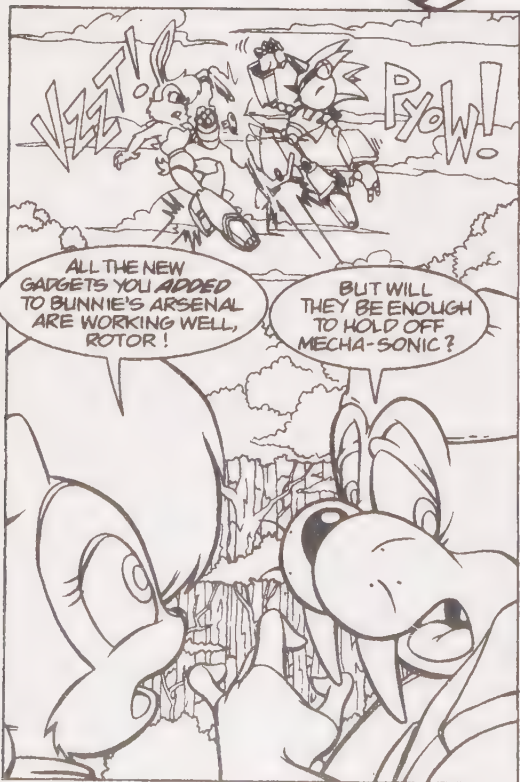
OUCH!





OH MAH
STARS! AH JUST
BARELY GOT MAH
SHIELD UP IN
TIME!

NYARRR!

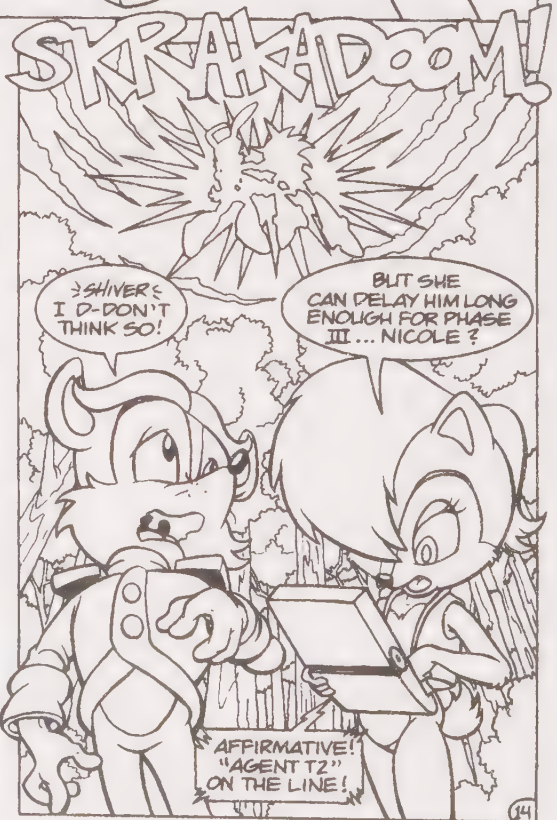


VZZT!

POW!

ALL THE NEW
GADGETS YOU ADDED
TO BUNNIE'S ARSENAL
ARE WORKING WELL,
ROTOR!

BUT WILL
THEY BE ENOUGH
TO HOLD OFF
MECHA-SONIC?

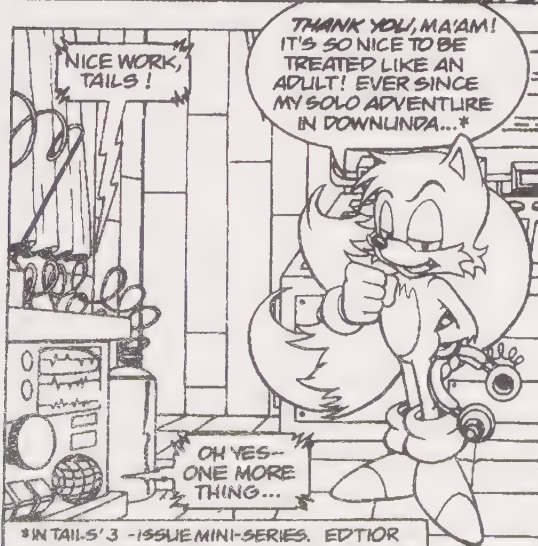
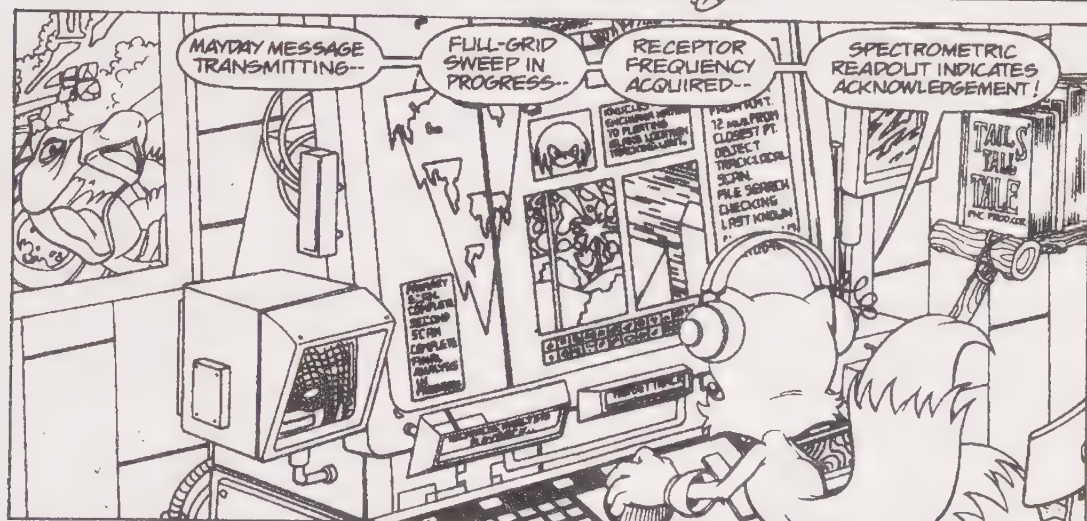
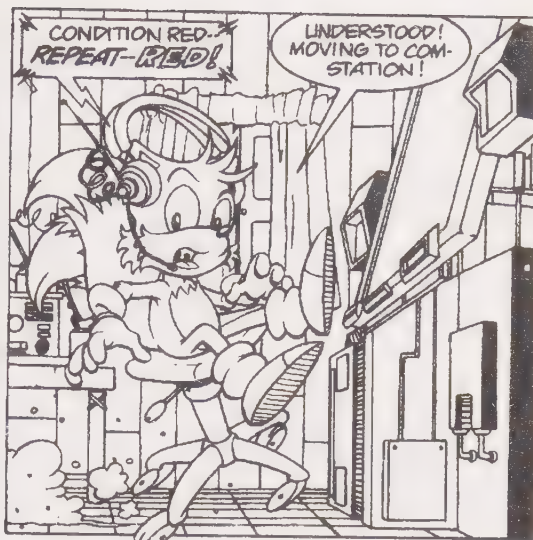


SKRAKADOOM!

SHIVER!
I D-DON'T
THINK SO!

BUT SHE
CAN DELAY HIM LONG
ENOUGH FOR PHASE
III... NICOLE?

AFFIRMATIVE!
"AGENT T2"
ON THE LINE!



*IN TAIL'S 3 -ISSUE MINI-SERIES. EDITOR

RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE

PART IV

YOUR EVENING APERITIF, GURU OF GRAVITY!

THE MECHA-SONIC HAS BEEN INTERCEPTED BY THAT REPULSIVE RABBIT!

HARUMPH! ALL I NEED IS A REMOTE POWER BOOSTER... I CAN TRANSMIT A SURGE THROUGH MECHA-SONIC THAT WILL TURN HER INTO HÄSSENPFEFFER!

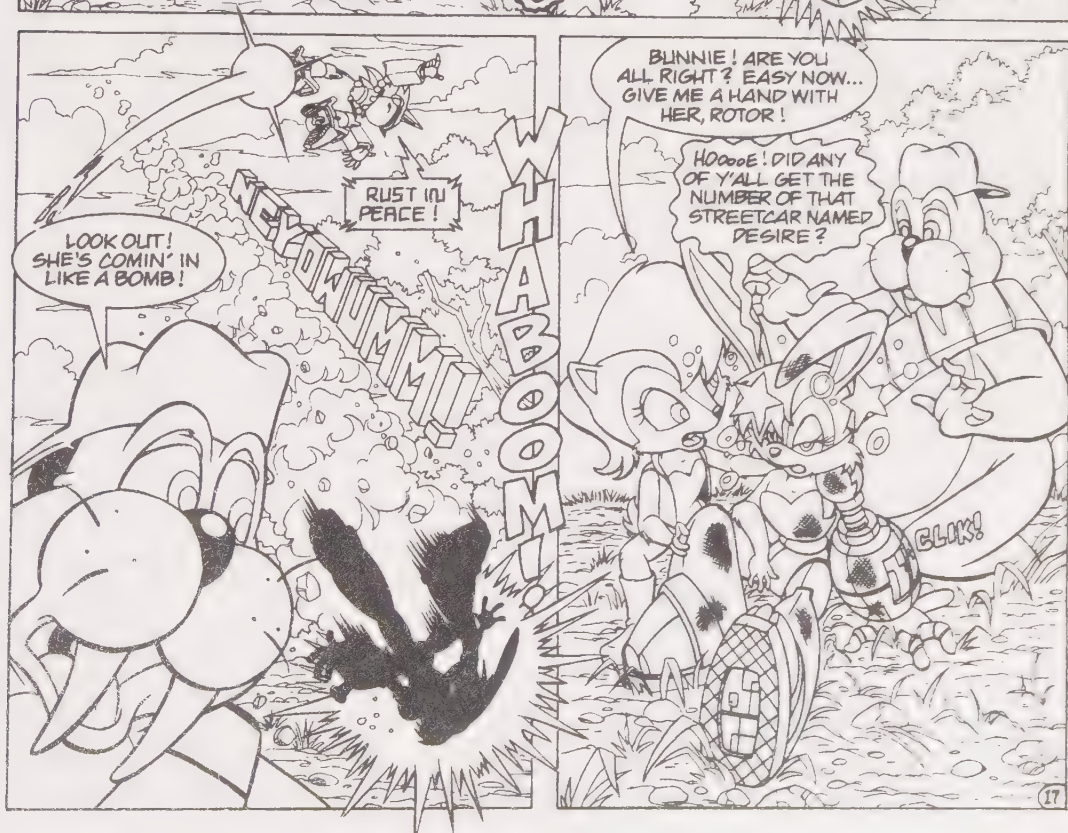
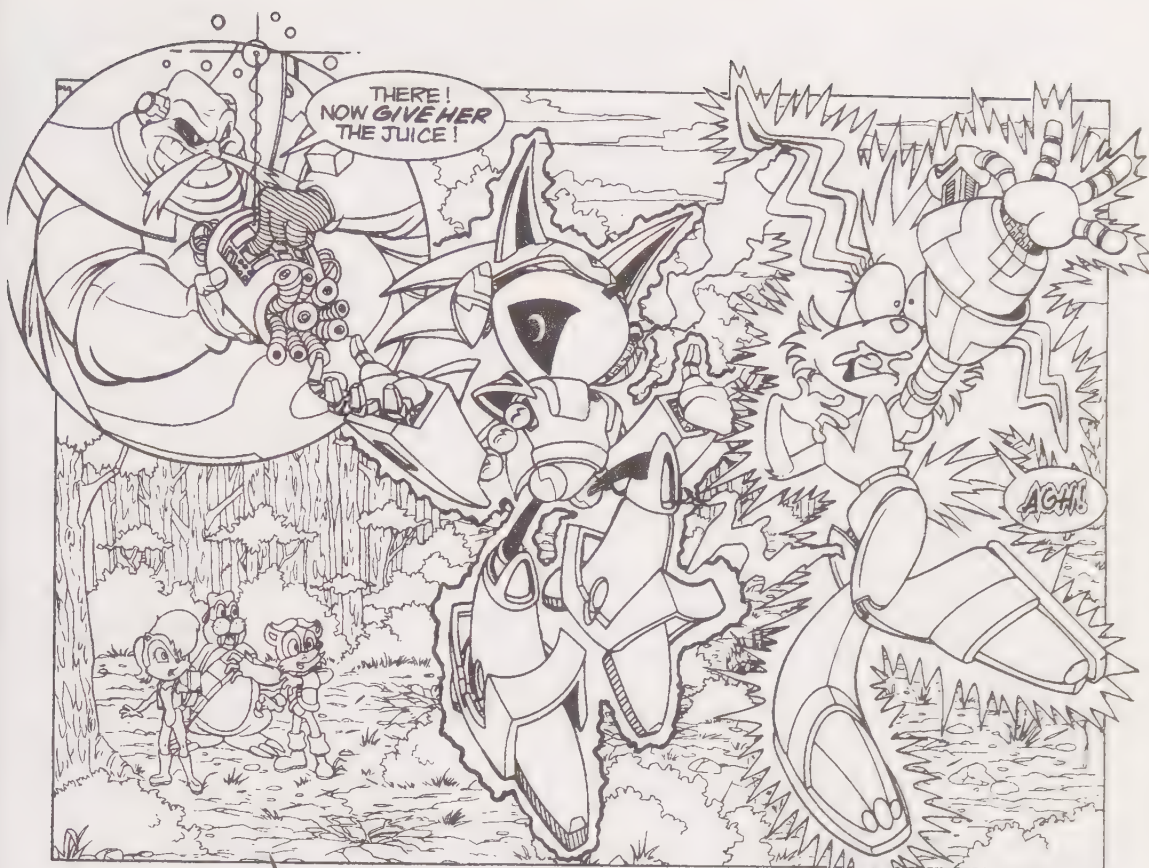
BUT AREN'T SUCH BOOSTERS HARD TO BUILD?

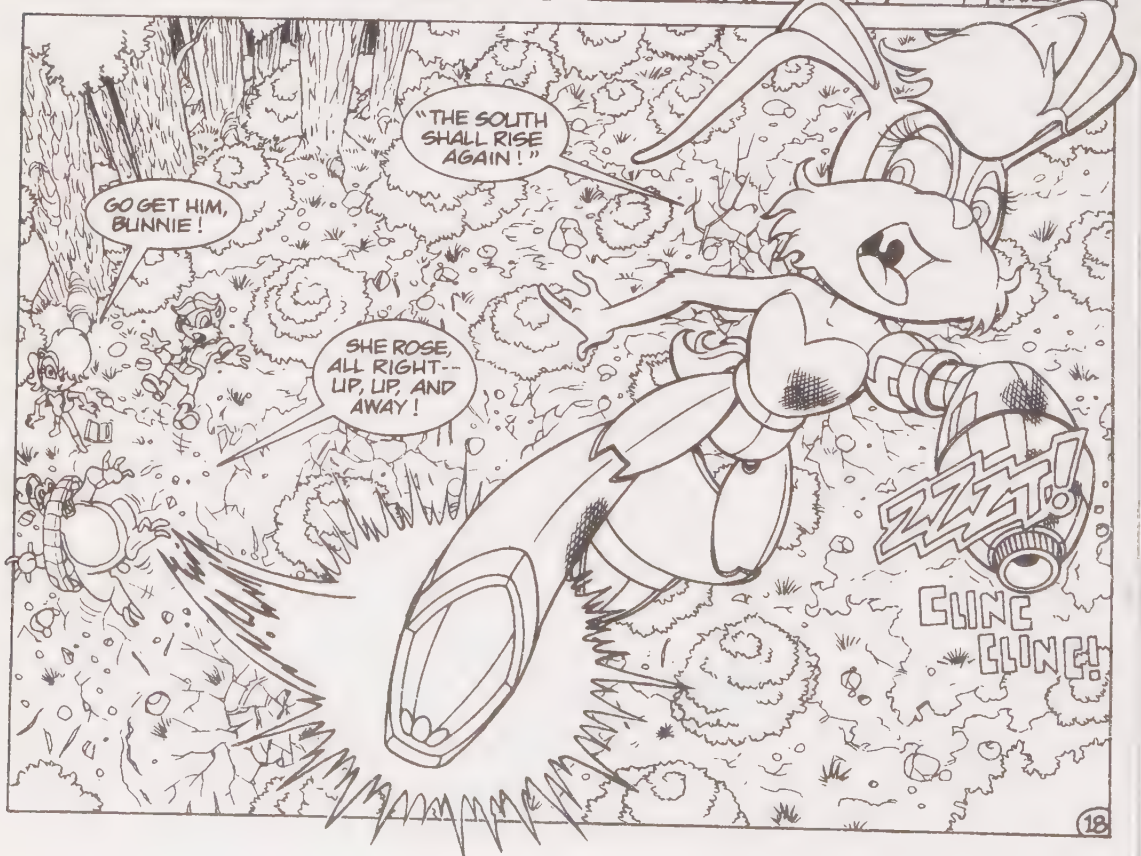
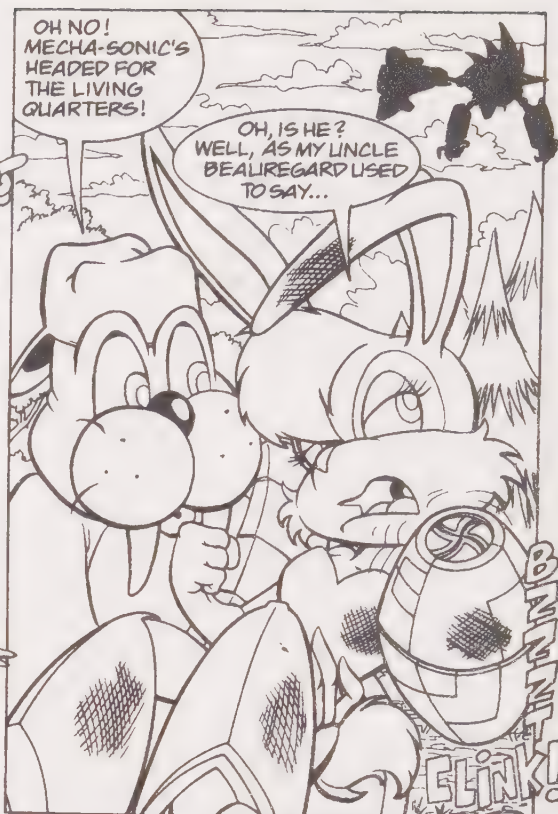
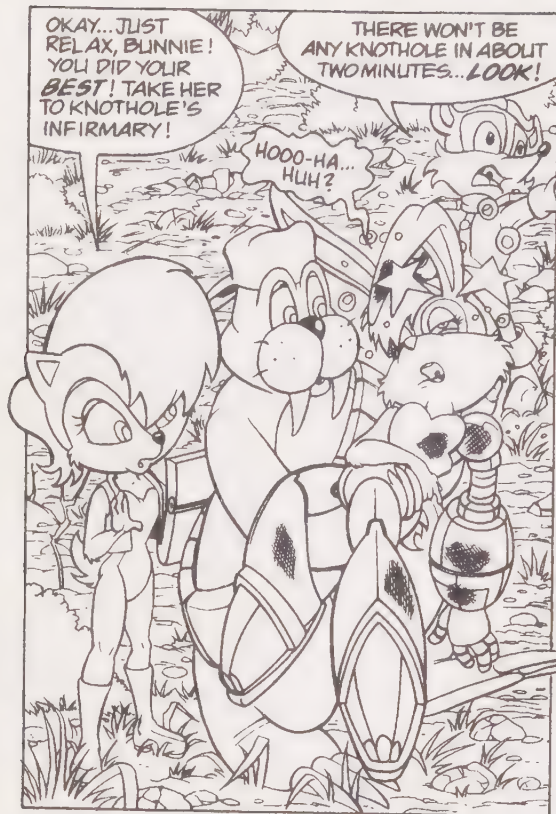
NO--AS A MATTER OF FACT, YOU CONTAIN ALL THE NECESSARY PARTS...

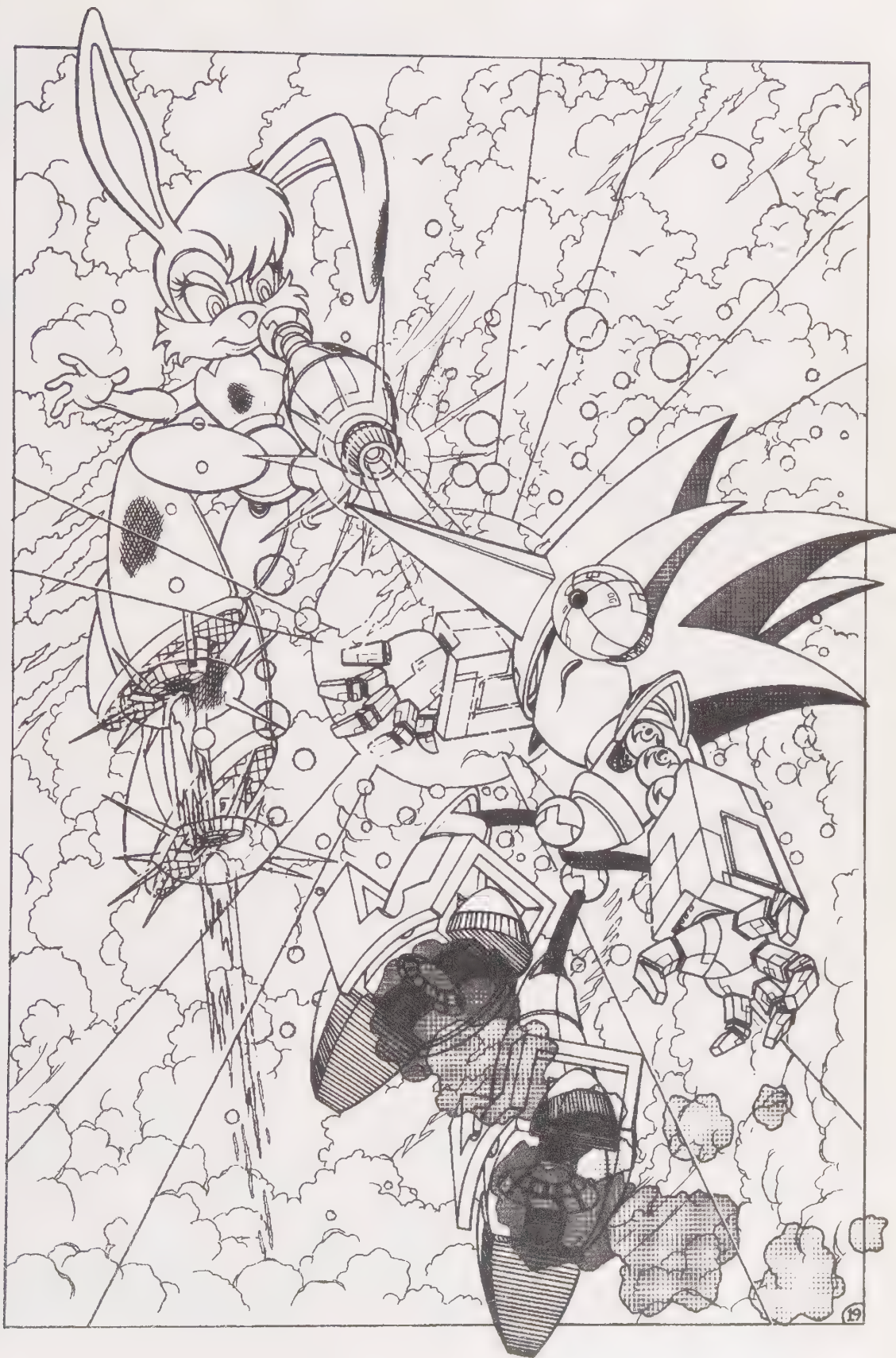
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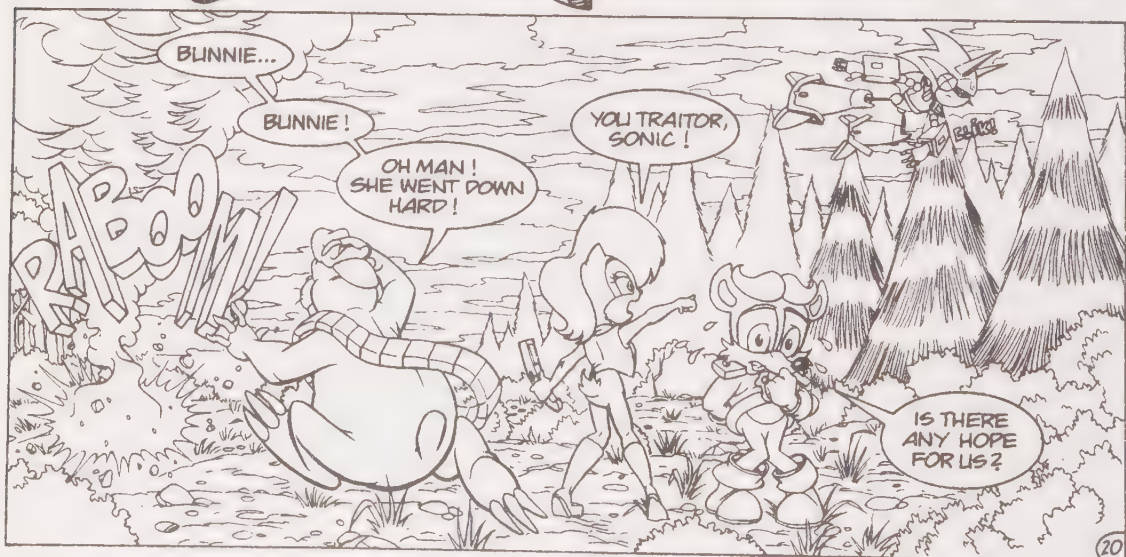
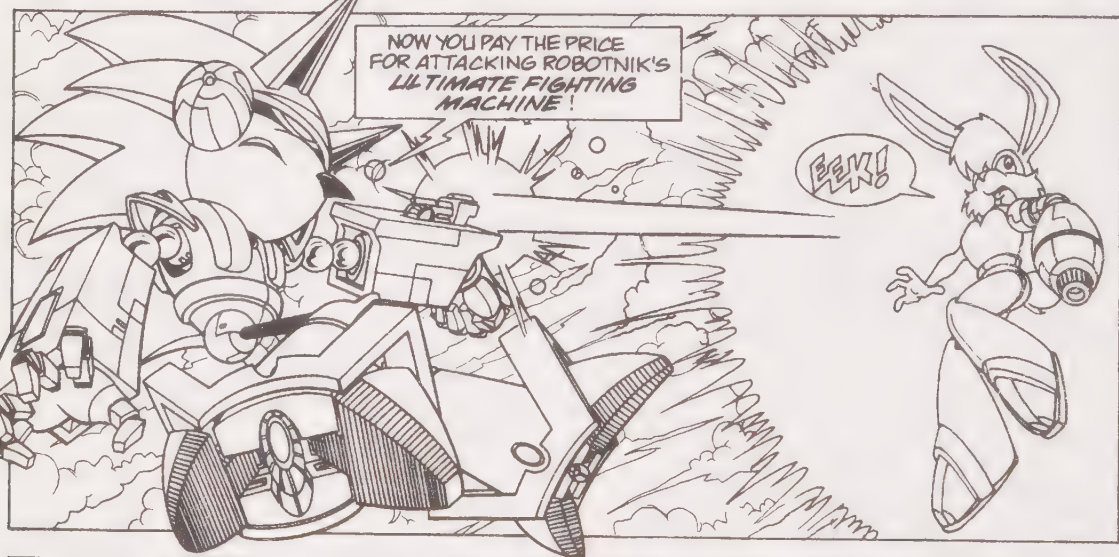
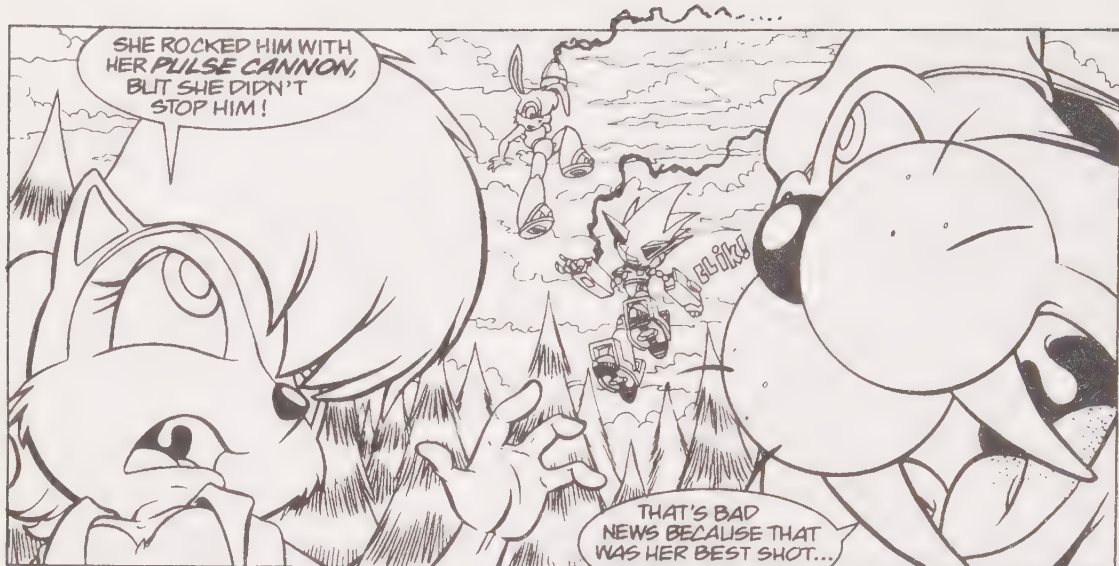
RIP!

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IS NO MORE!
CITIZENS OF KNOTHOLE--
PREPARE TO BE ELIMINATED
BY MECHA-SONIC!

MAP PROCESS
SCAN FOR DISTANCE

RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE

PART V

MAP SEARCH FINDING
CHART: SUBJECT
WILL BE WITHIN
TARGETING DISTANCE
WITHIN 7.5 M
SUGGESTED
OF ACTION.

HE'S COMING
TOWARDS THE VILLAGE
FAST AND FURIOUS!
YOU'RE OUR LAST AND
BEST HOPE!

SEARCHING
EVACUATION MEASUR
KNOTHOLE DESTRUCT

REALLY?

SUBJECT IS 250

EVACUATION P
SUGGESTED° RE

TARGET HAS BEEN
BEST CORNER
ROACHING
OMES

LONG RANGE SCAN

I DON'T
NORMALLY "GET
INVOLVED," BUT PRINCESS
SALLY ACORN AND I GO
BACK A LONG WAY...

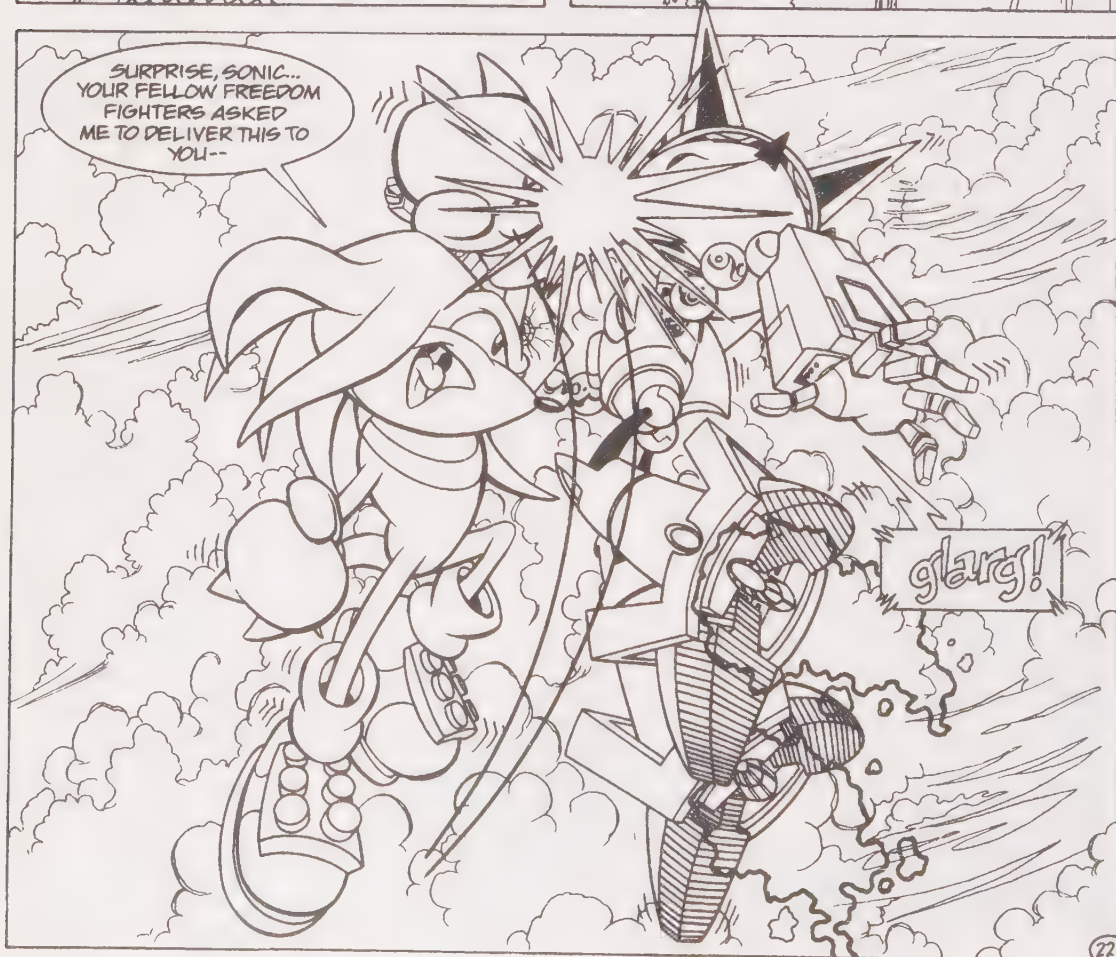
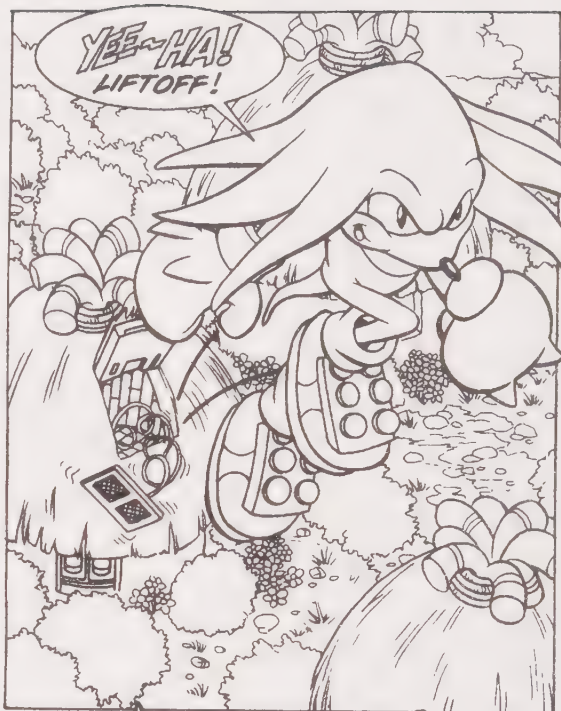
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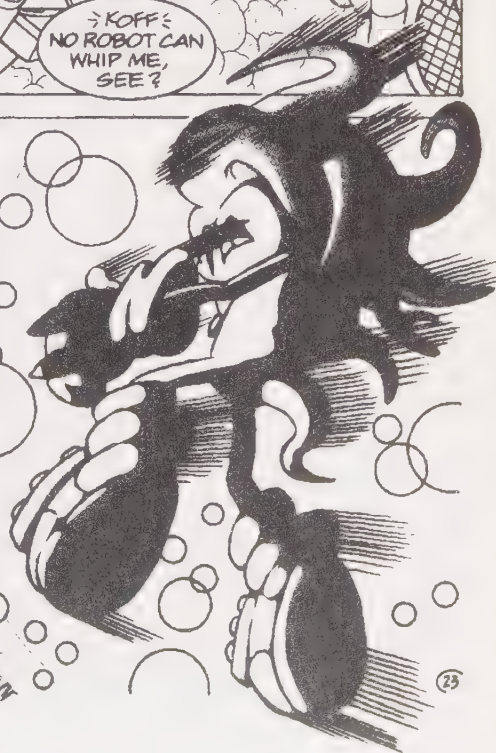
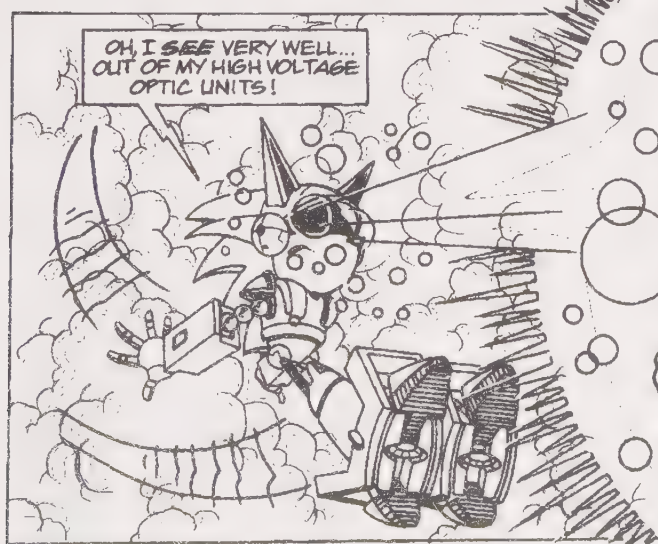
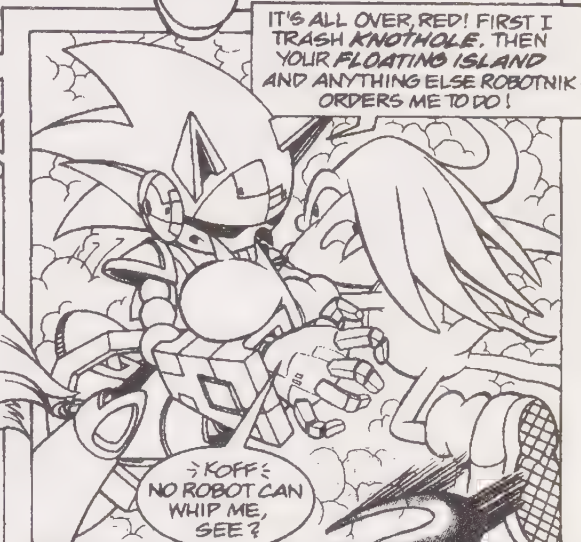
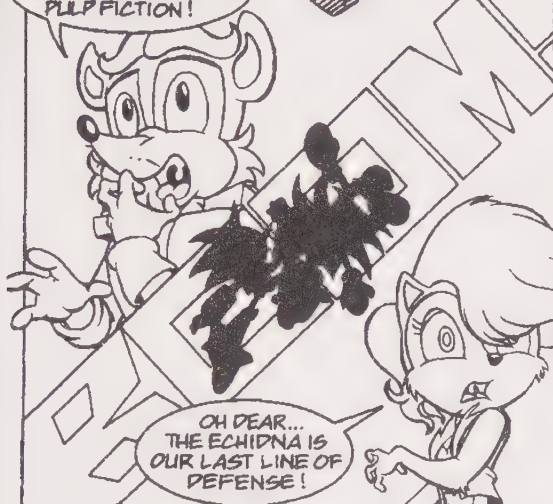
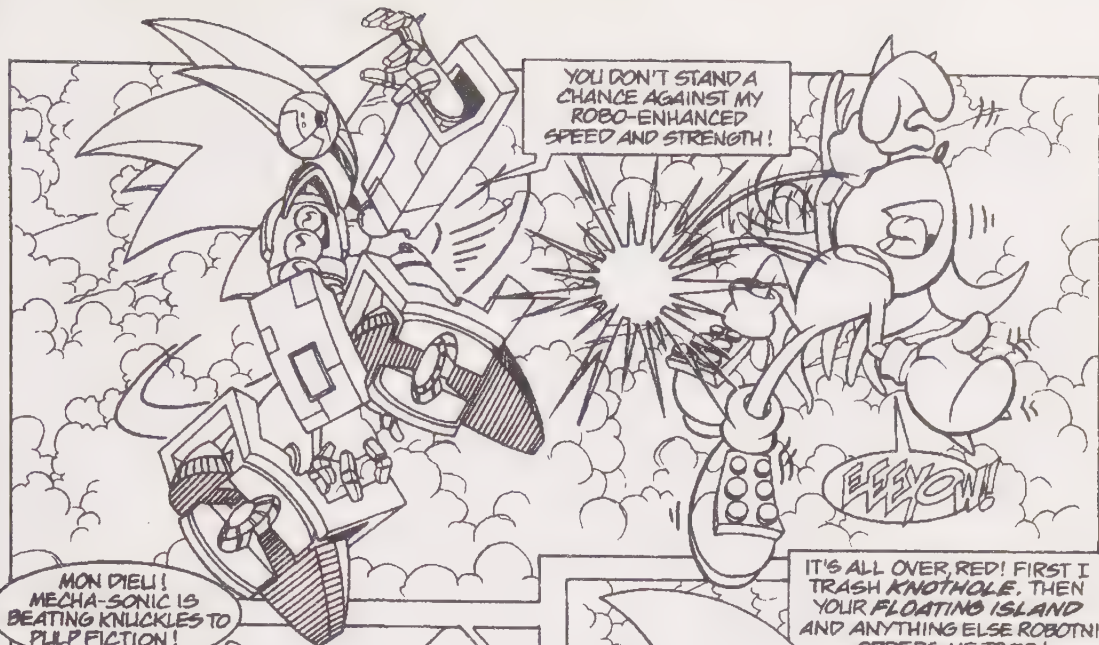
YOUR GREAT-
GRANDFATHER DIDN'T
MENTION THAT TO ME,*
BUT I'M GLAD YOU'RE
HERE...

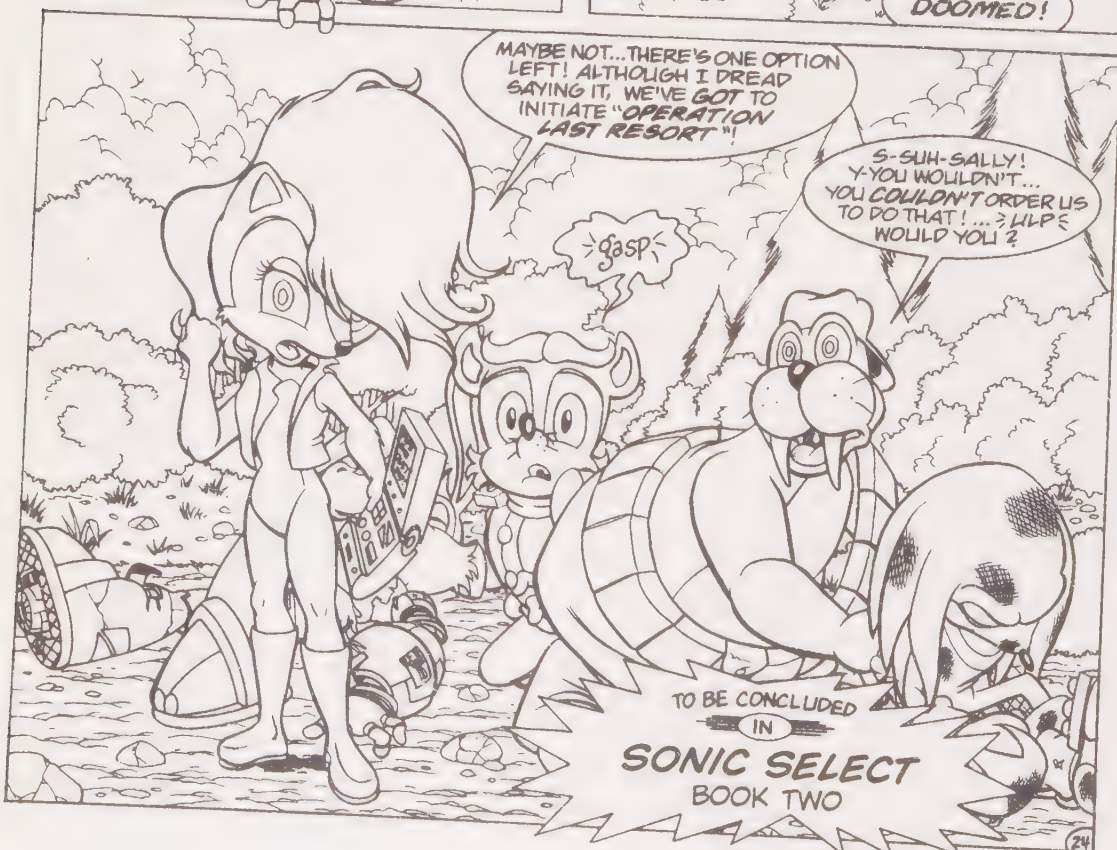
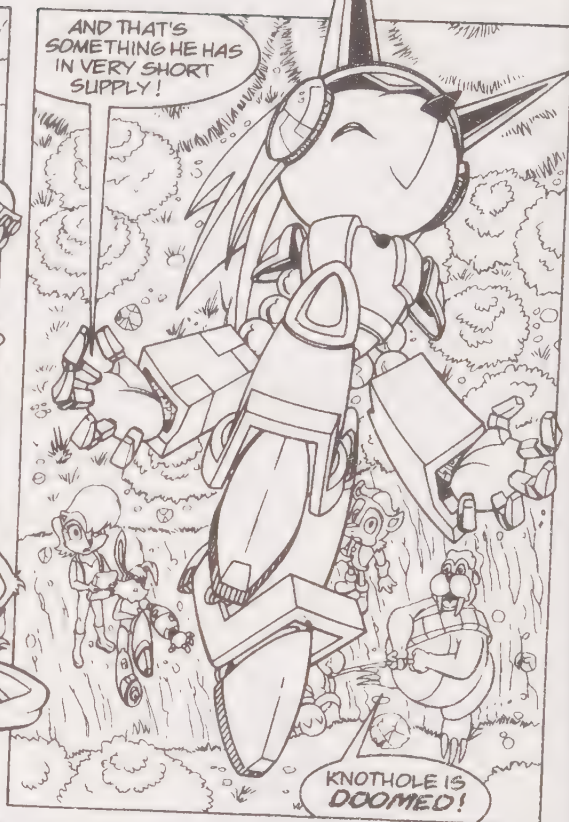
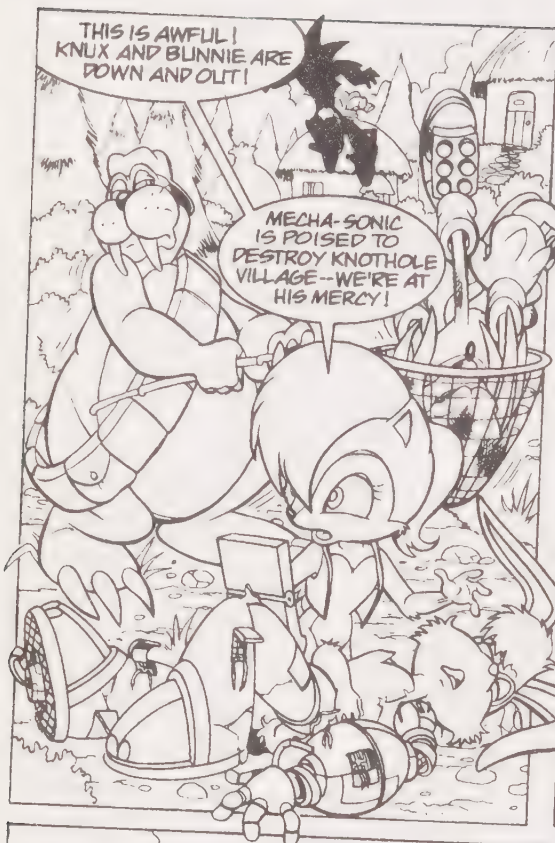
RANDOM SYSTE
PLEASE WAIT POP
WEAPONS SY
ANALYZATION
CHECKING PC

*TAILS MET ATHAIR, KNUCKLES' ANCESTOR,
IN THE TAILS MINI-SERIES, REMEMBER?
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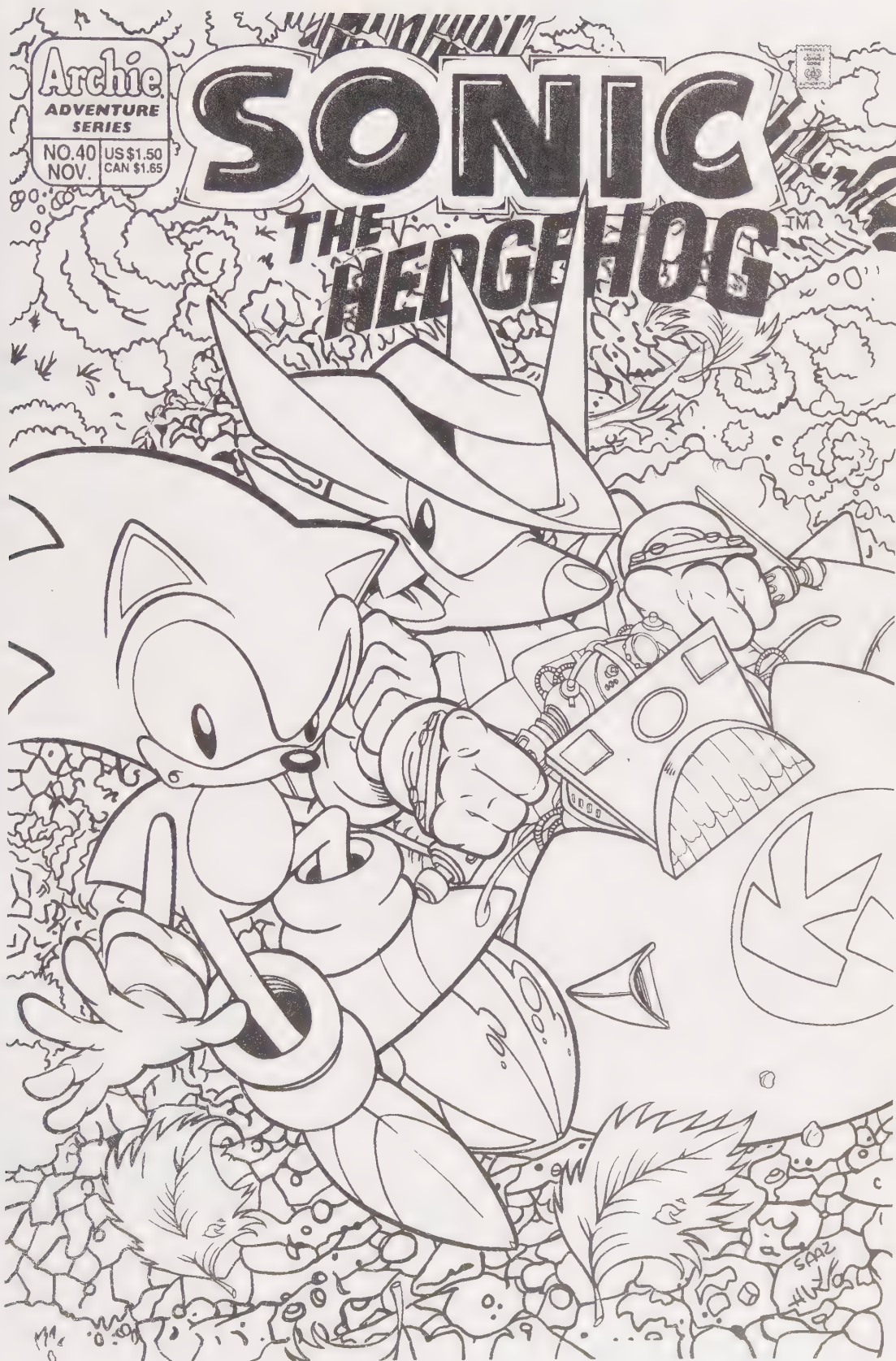




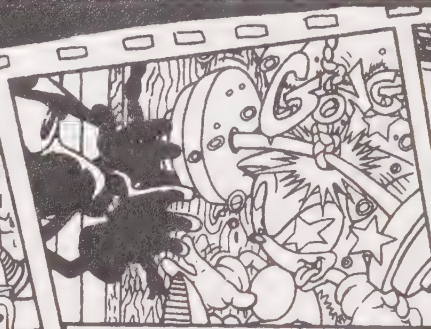
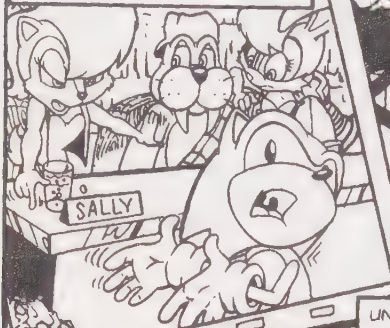
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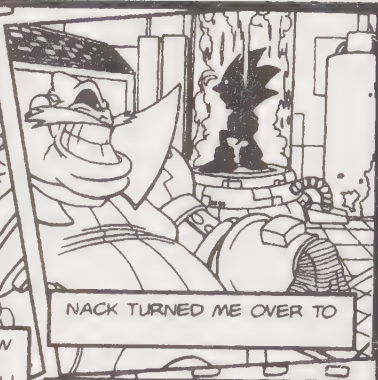
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RECENT EVENTS ARE
LIKE A SERIES OF
PHOTOS IN MY MIND. FIRST,
THE
REJECTS MY PROPOSAL TO
LET MYSELF BE

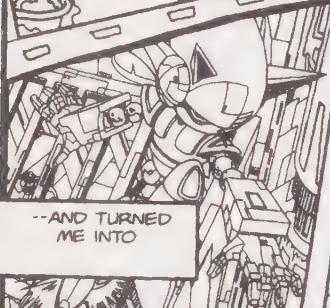


... SO I WENT TO THE GYM TO BLOW
OFF SOME STEAM--WHEN I WAS
BY NACK THE WEASEL!



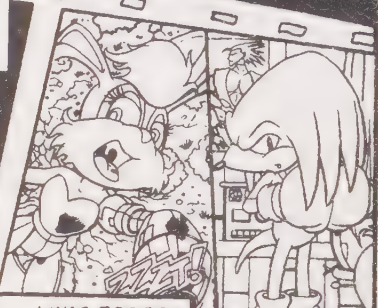
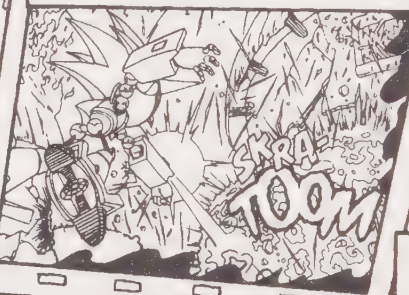
NACK TURNED ME OVER TO

--HE TURNED ON HIS
ROBOTICIZER--



--AND TURNED
ME INTO

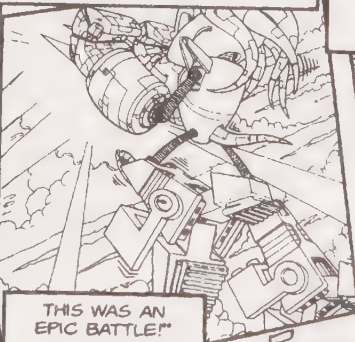
UNABLE TO RESIST, I WRECKED HAVOC
UPON MY FORMER ALLIES,
DESTROYING MOST
OF



I WAS FORCED
TO FIGHT

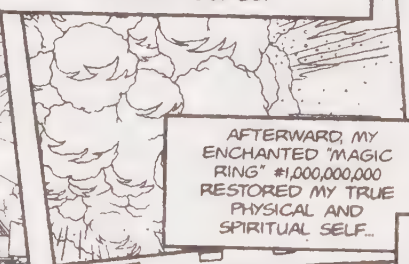
AND MY
FRIENDLY
NEMESIS,

IN A BOLD AND DESPERATE
MOVE, SALLY HAD
ROBOTICIZED, CREATING:

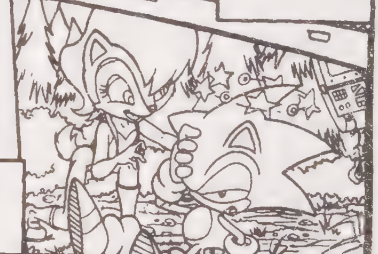


THIS WAS AN
EPIC BATTLE!"

IT ENDED UGLY, WITH BOTH OF US
CRASHING INTO ROBOTROPOLIS,
SETTING OFF A STOCKPILE OF
NUCLEAR BOMBS!



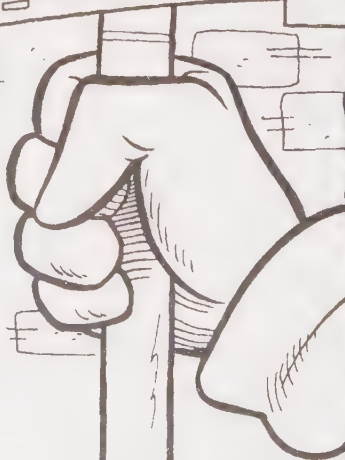
AFTERWARD, MY
ENCHANTED "MAGIC
RING" #1,000,000,000
RESTORED MY TRUE
PHYSICAL AND
SPIRITUAL SELF..



-- TROUBLE IS EVERYBODY THINKS
I DISOBEYED THE COUNCIL,
A MUTINOUS ACT!

*A RECAP OF LAST ISSUE'S
"RAGE AGAINST THE
MACHINE."- EDITOR

**YOU SAW IT IN MECHA
MADNESS SPECIAL
#1.- EDITOR



THEY PUT ME HERE
IN THIS JAILHOUSE!

... ME! ..

SONIC
THE HEDGEHOG™

in

COURT-MARTIAL

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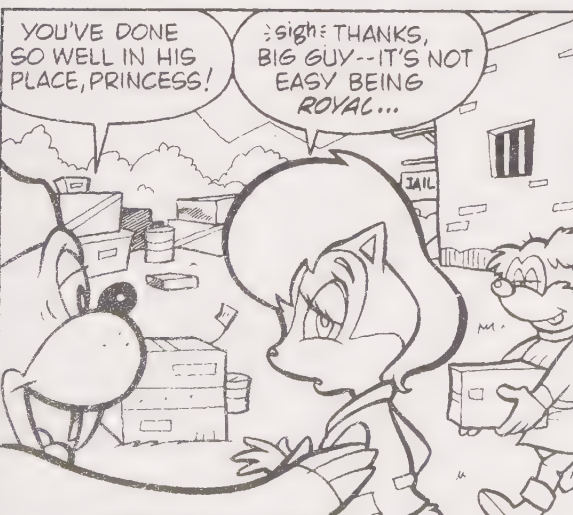
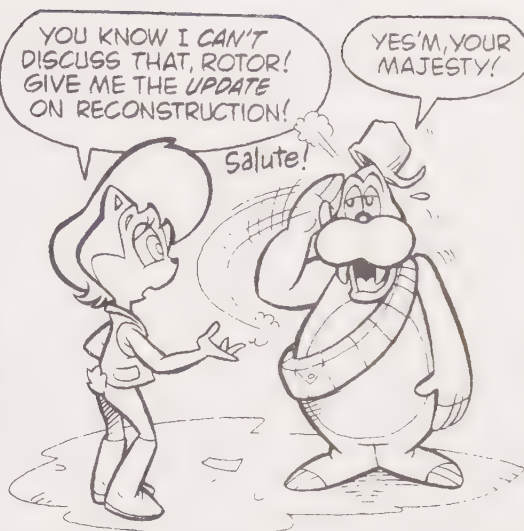
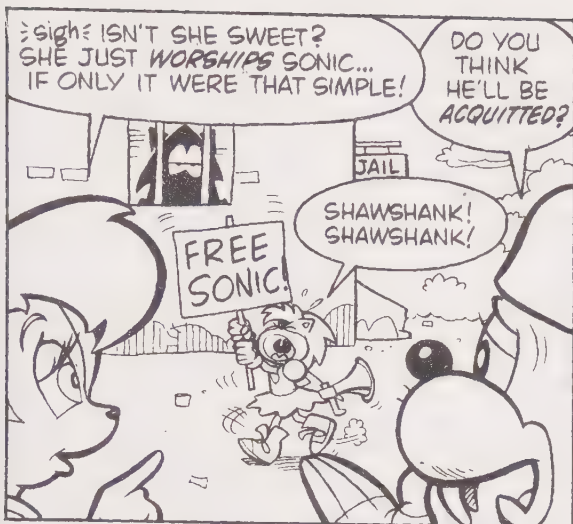
ZEE PRISONAIR
WEEL BE SILENT!

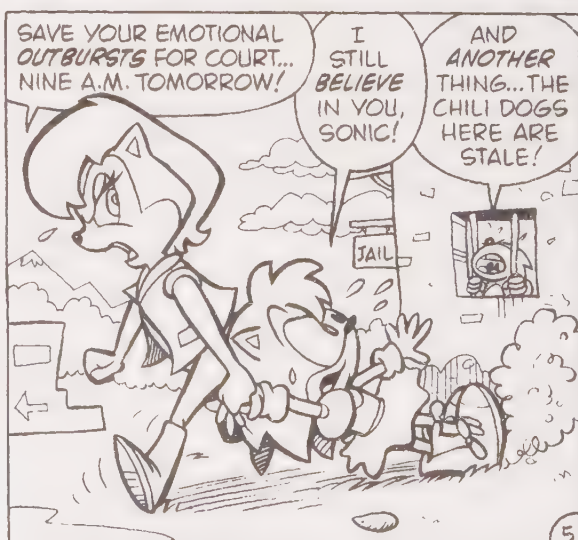
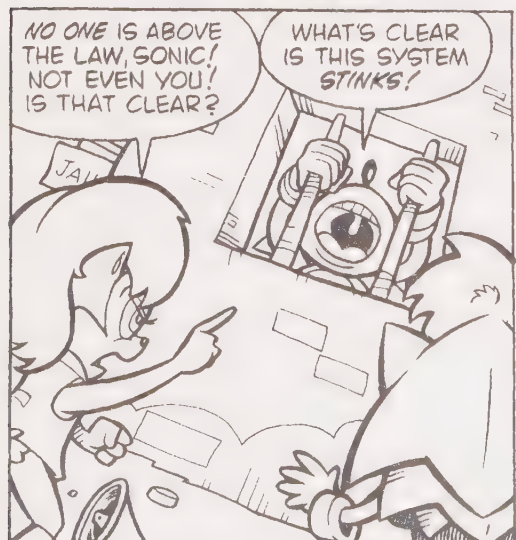
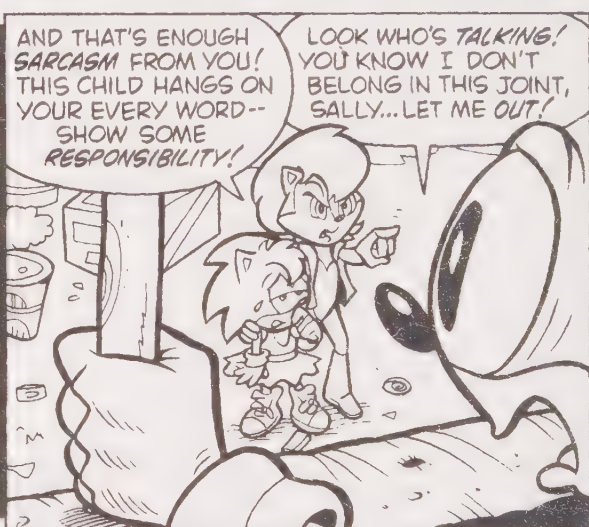
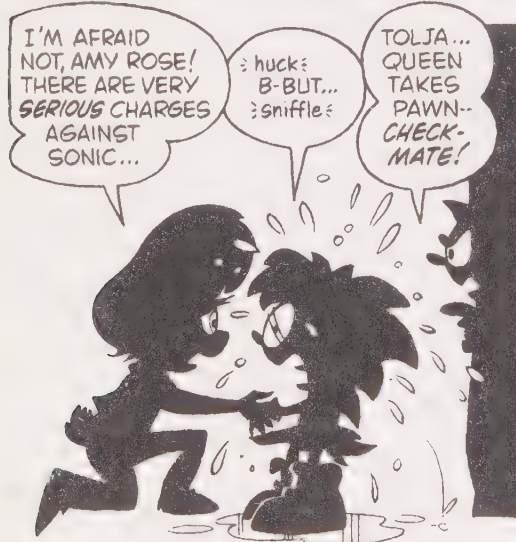
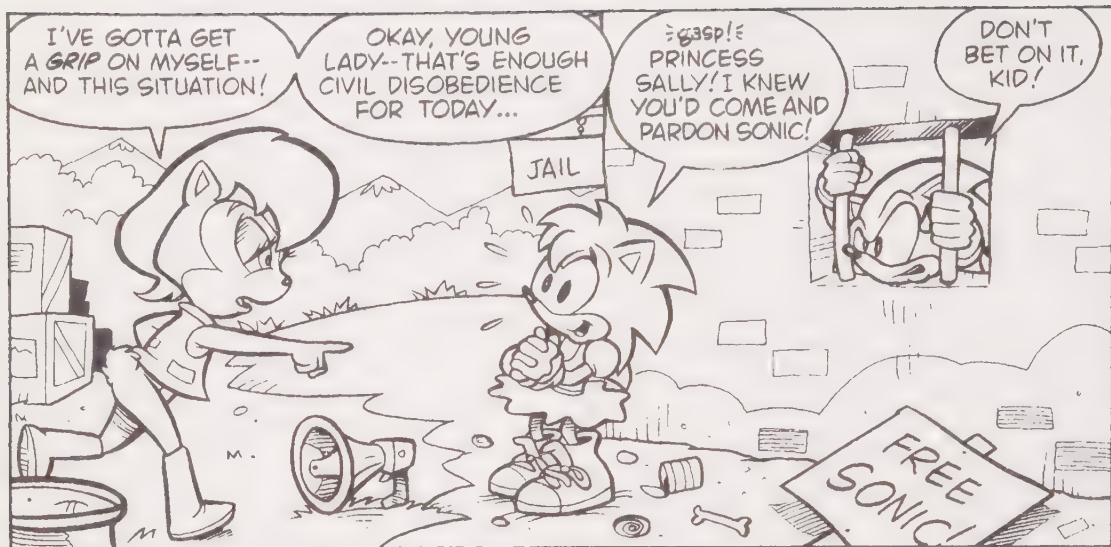
WHAT I'LL BE IS IN YOUR FACE
WHEN THIS TRIAL IS OVER, ANTOINE!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO BROUGHT
THESE CHARGES AGAINST ME!

HAVEN'T YOU ALREADY PERPETRATED
ENOUGH VIOLENCE UPON US? NOW YOU
WEEL ADD "ASSAULTING ZEE NEW COM-
MANDER" TO THE LIST?

growl!







SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

IN COURT-MARTIAL PART II

YOU ARE
CHARGED WITH
TREASON!

WE, THE
KANGAROO COURT
JUDGES, WILL DECIDE
IF YOU ARE GUILTY!

AND I WEEEL
PROSECUTE!

HEY! I
RECOGNIZE
YOU TWO FROM
MY SPINBALL
ADVENTURE!*

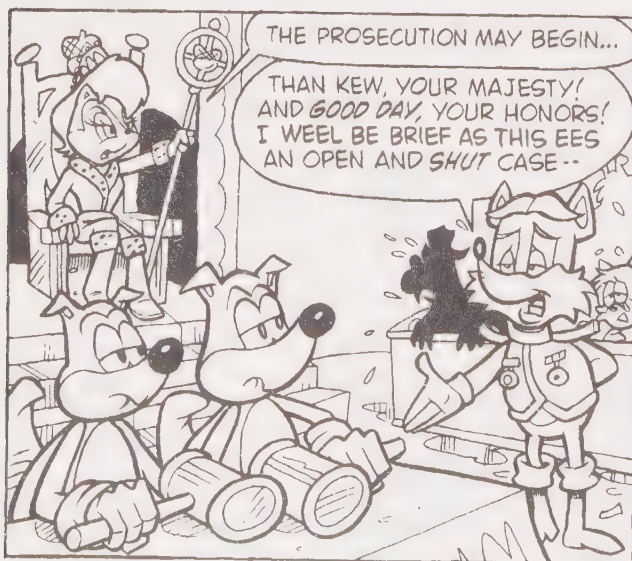
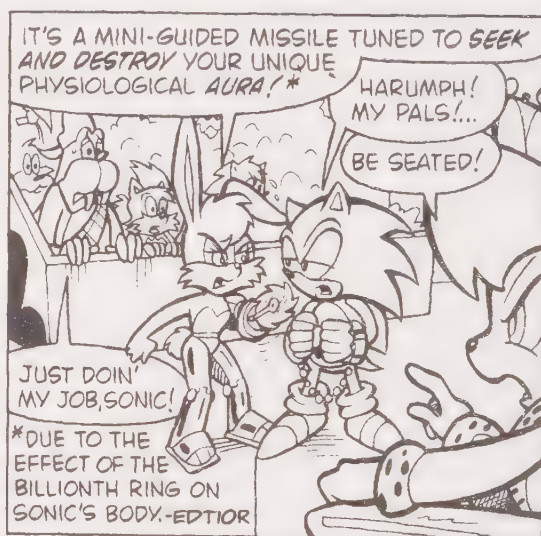
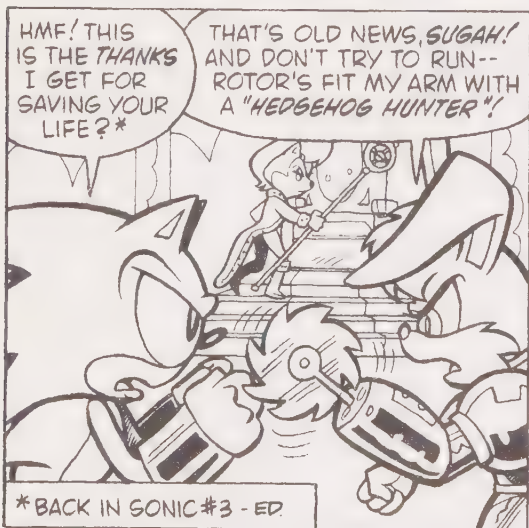
* ONLY TRUE BLUE SONIC FANS REMEMBER
HIP & HOP FROM ISSUE #6 - EDITOR

THERE'S NO CONFLICT
OF INTEREST... YOU
WON'T GET SPECIAL
TREATMENT!

BESIDES, WE DON'T
PRONOUNCE SENTENCE
--IN THIS CASE,
THERE'S ONLY ONE
PUNISHMENT...

...BANISHMENT!

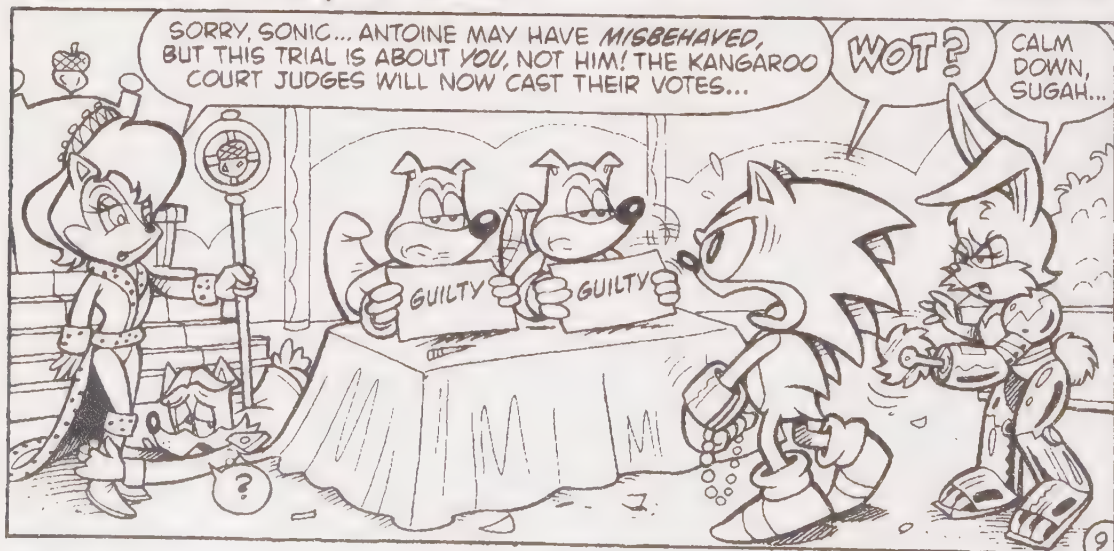
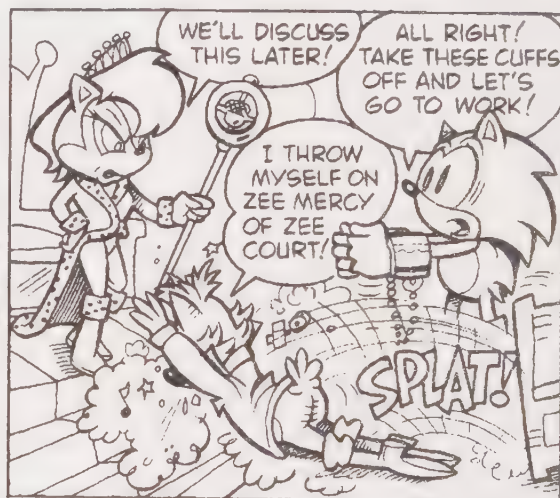
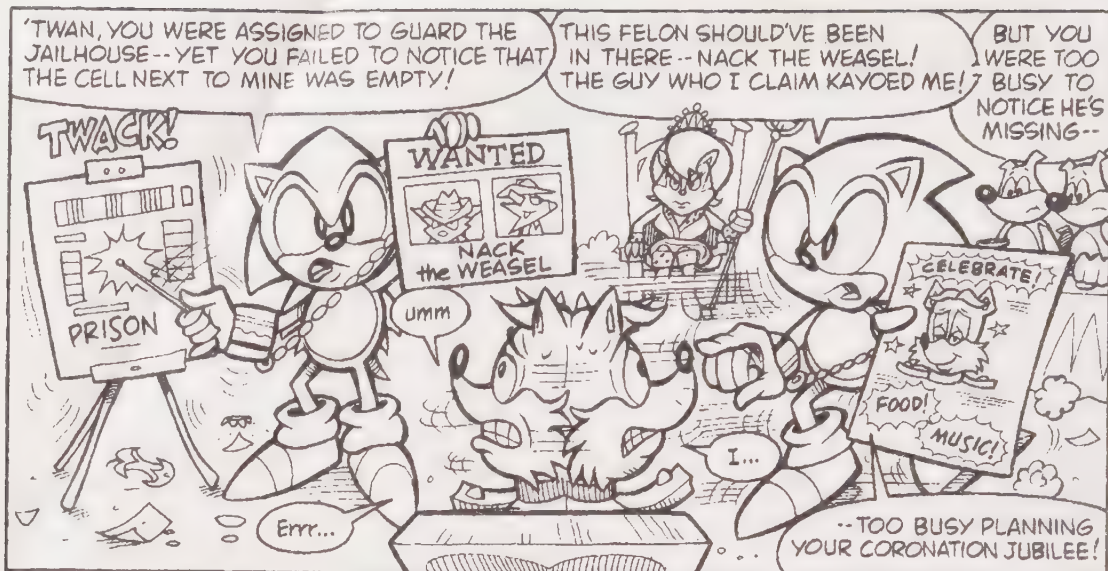
ALL RIGHT, ALREADY! IF
YOU DON'T DECIDE MY FATE,
WHERE'S THE BIG CHEESE
WHO DOES?

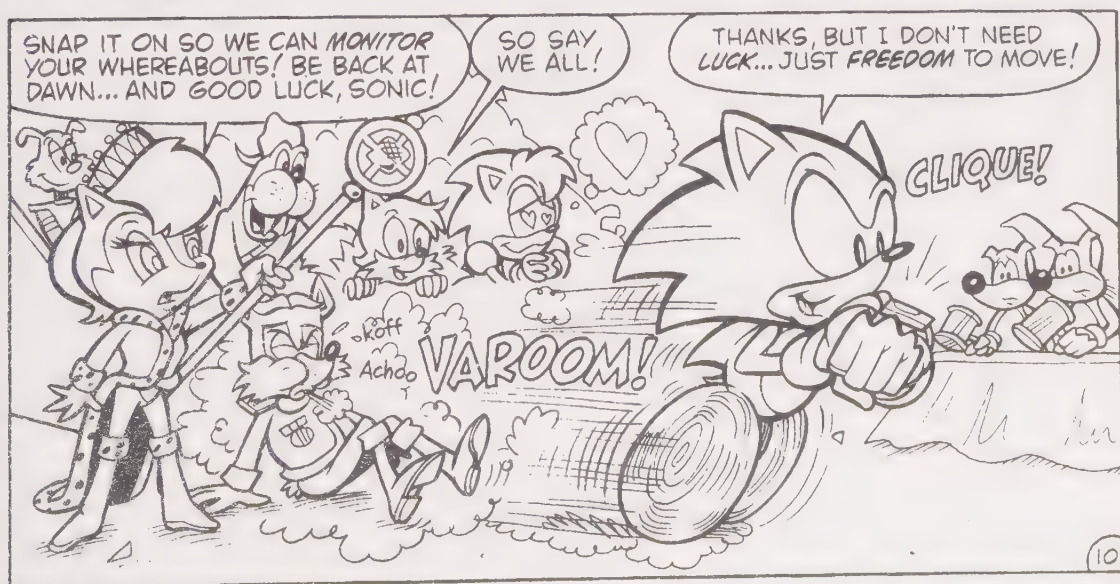
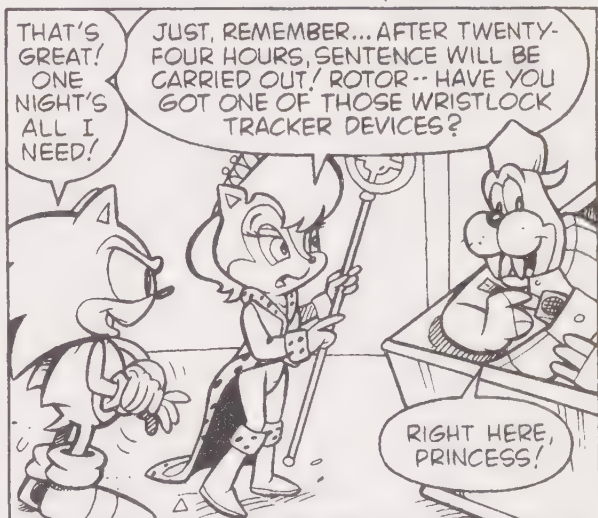
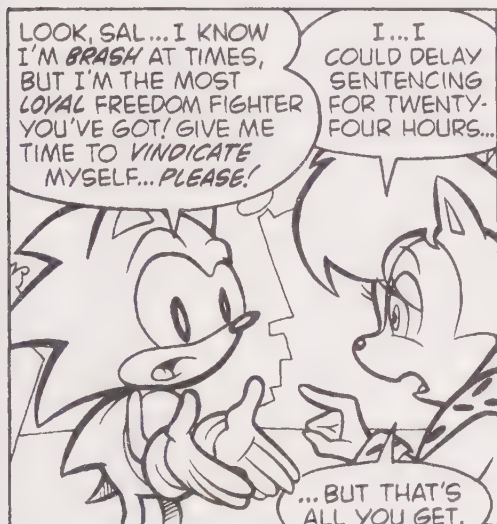
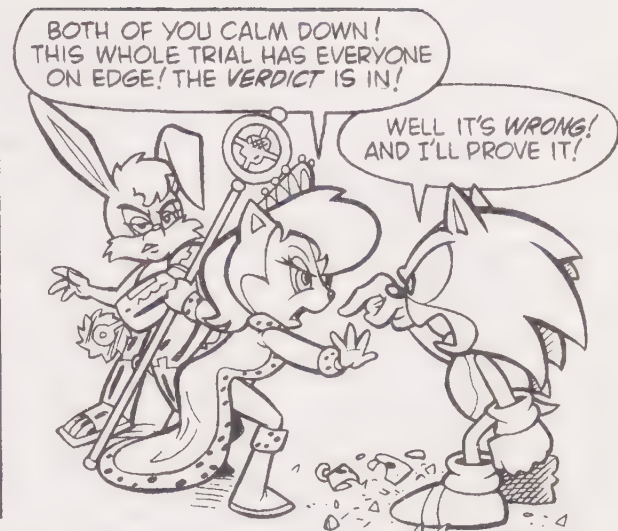
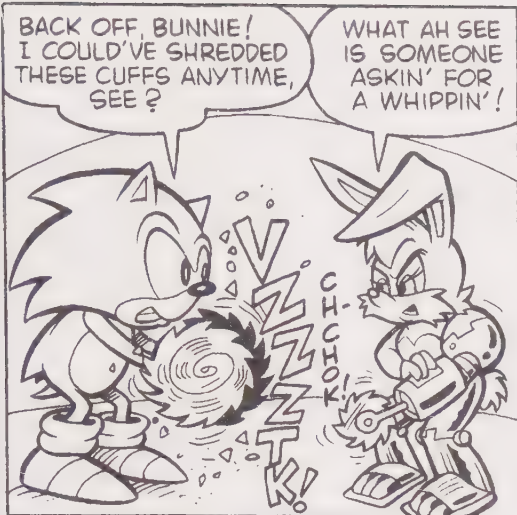




*PRONOUNCED IO-Q IN ANTOINE-ESE







SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

HAS BEEN SPOTTED
ON THE EDGE OF THE
BADLAND MOUNTAINS.

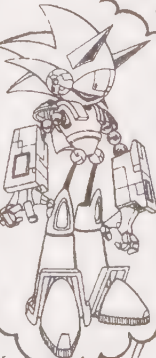
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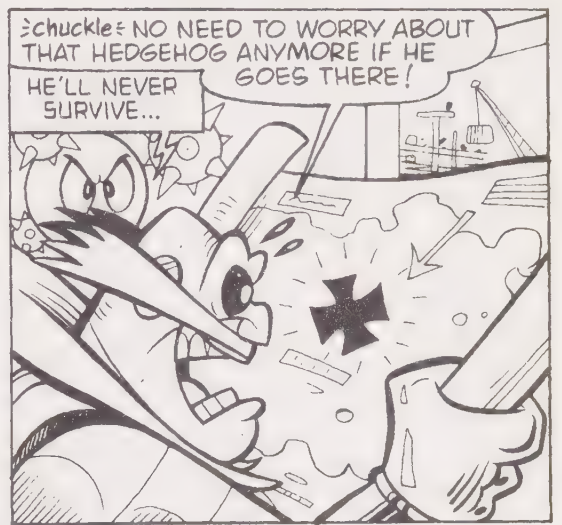
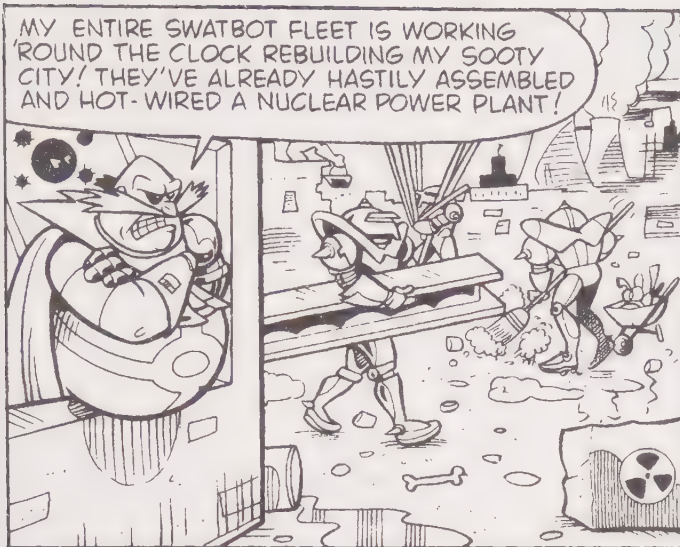
SO HE IS ALIVE... AND BACK
TO NORMAL! WHAT'S HE DOING
UP IN THAT DESERTED--?tsk!tsk! IS THIS
REMOTE CAM MONITOR THE *ONLY*
THING THAT WORKS AROUND HERE?

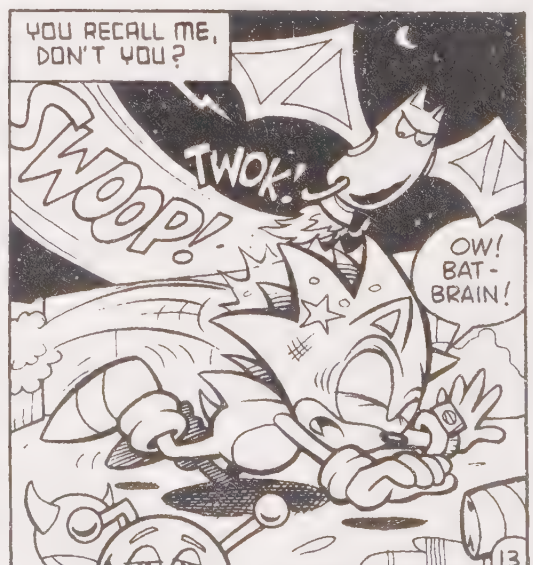
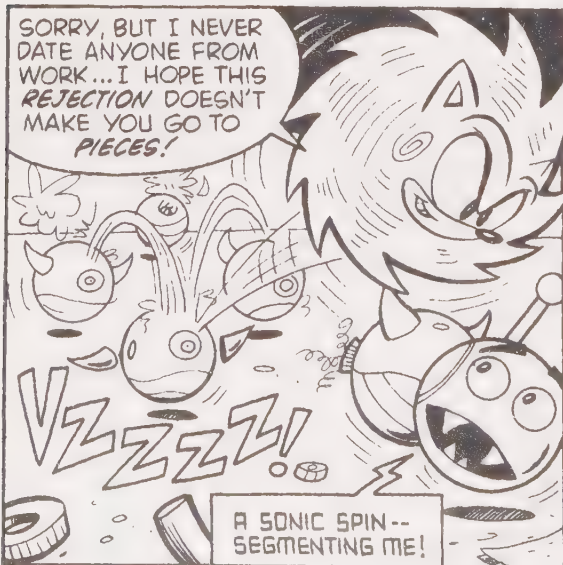
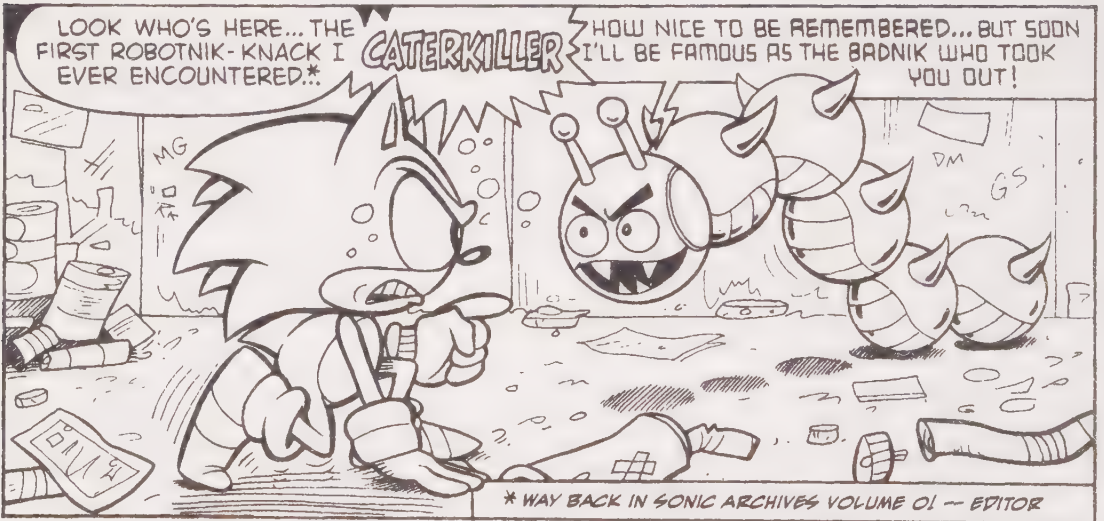
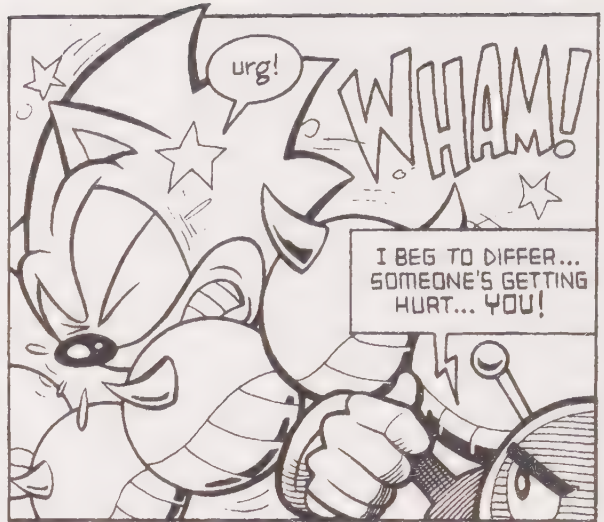
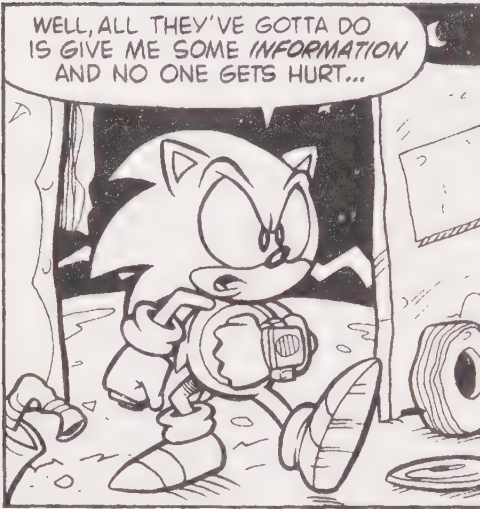
EVER SINCE THOSE
BOMBS WENT OFF IN
ROBOTROPOLIS* MY SUPER
COMPUTERS HAVE BEEN
OFF-LINE!

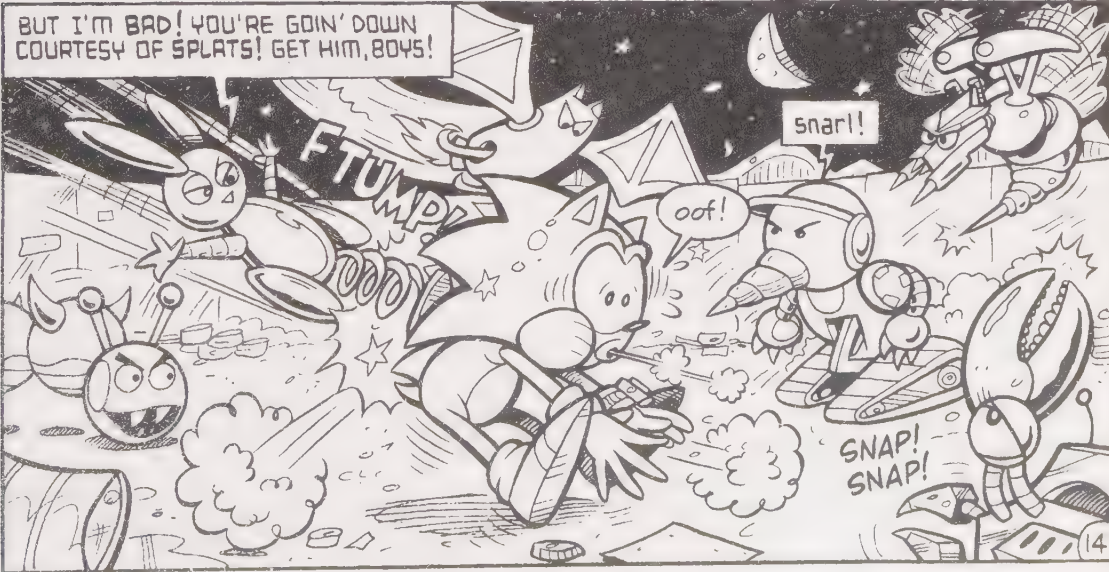
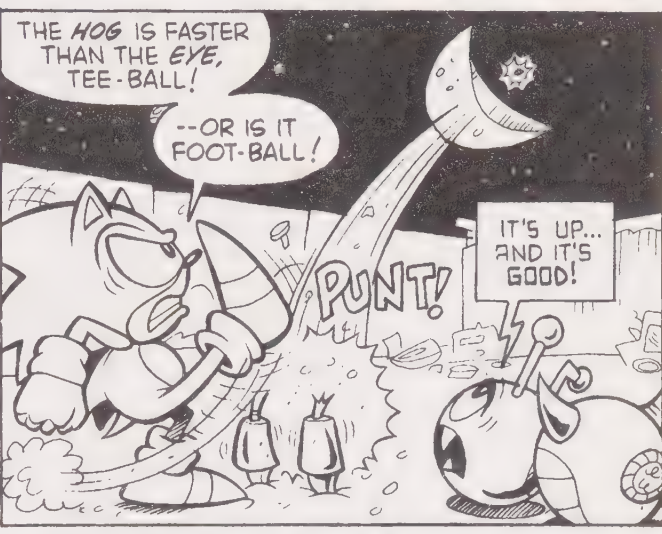
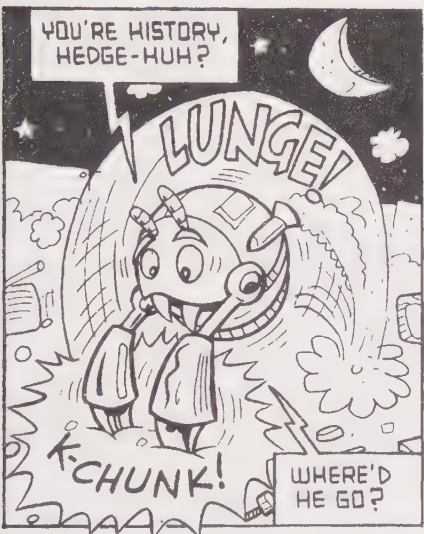
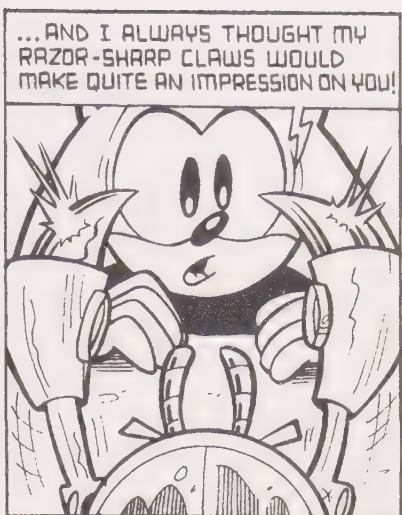
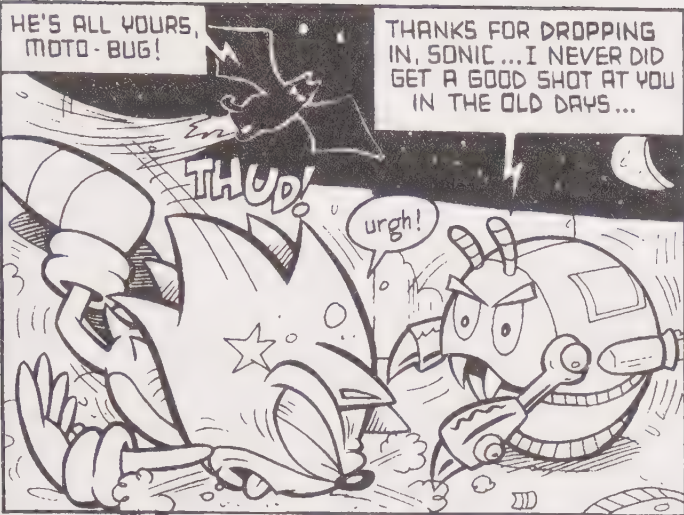
CURSES! IT WAS ALL WORKING OUT SO
WELL! MECHA-SONIC WAS MY SLAVE...

I MUST GIVE THE LITTLE PRINCESS
CREDIT...ROBOTICIZING KNUCKLES WAS
A BRILLIANT TACTICAL MOVE...ONE
SHE'LL SOON PAY FOR!

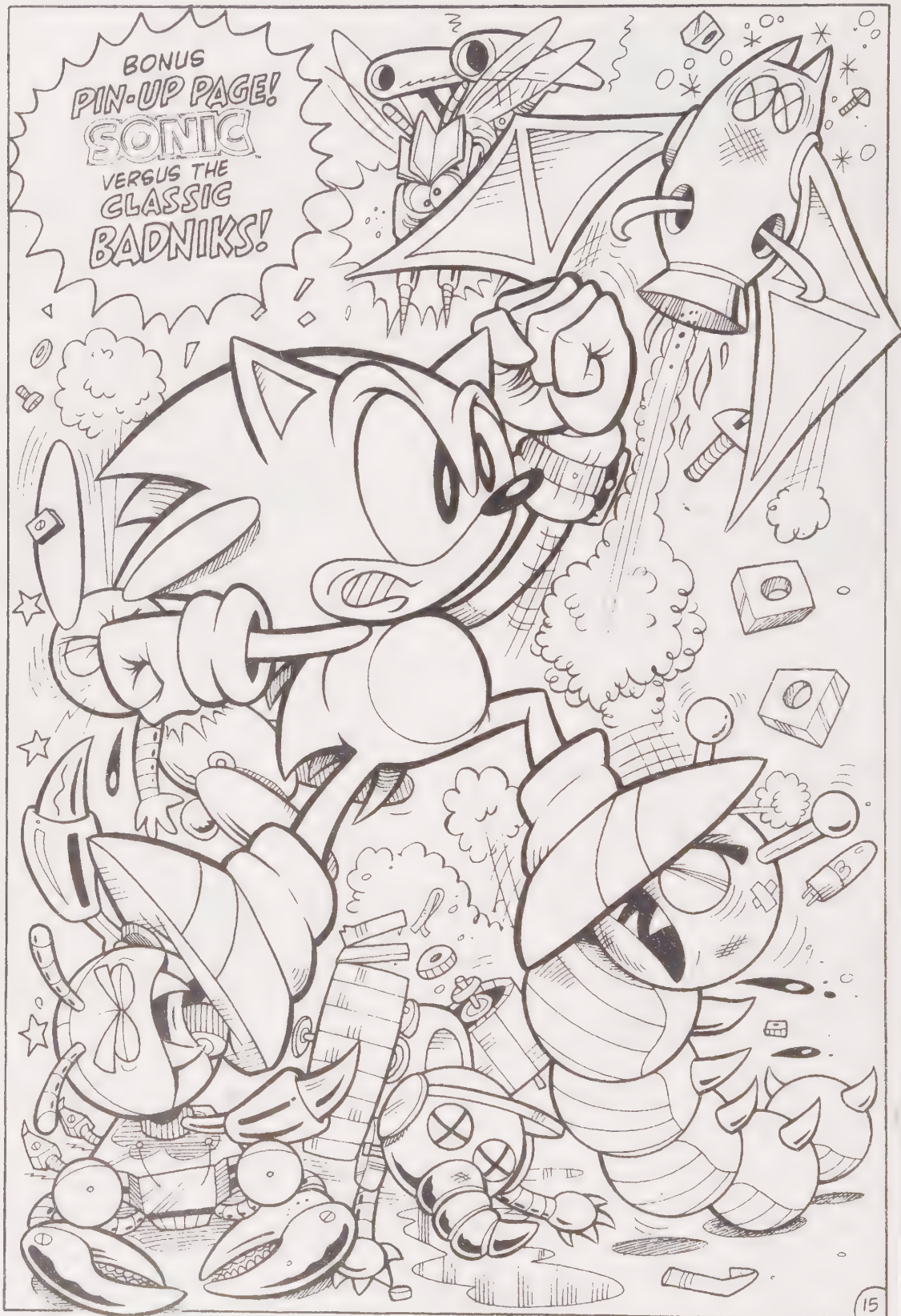


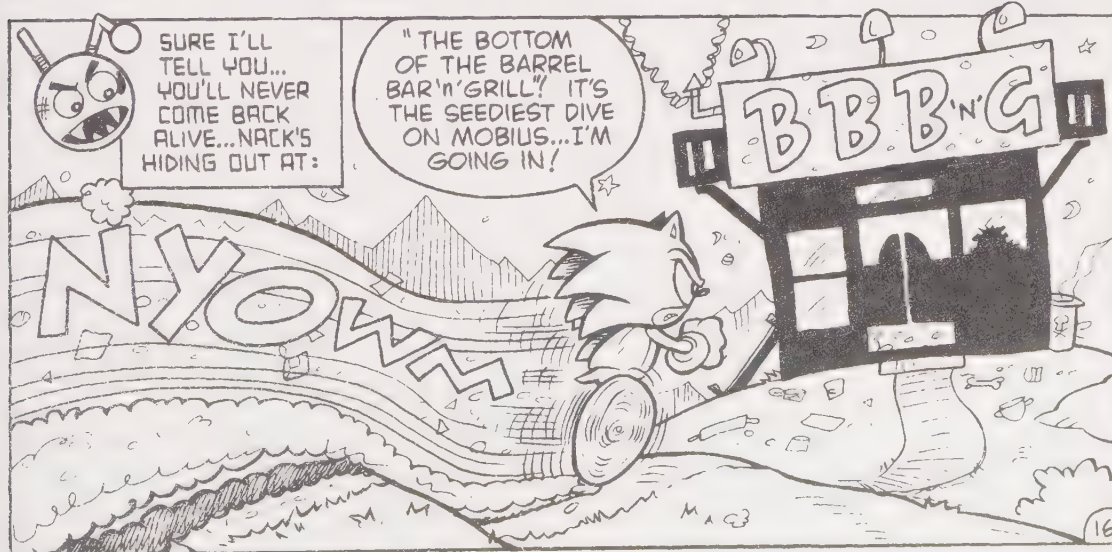
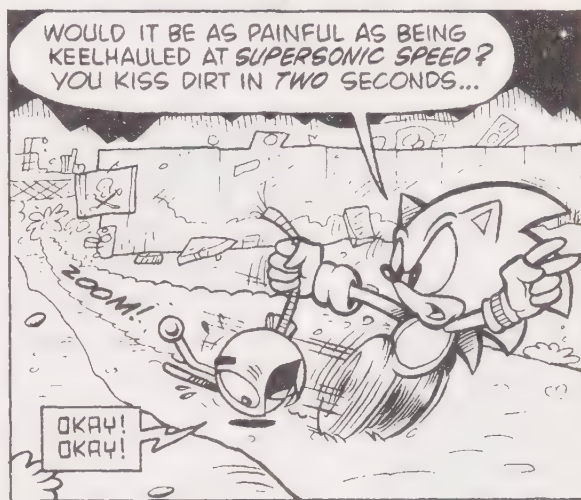
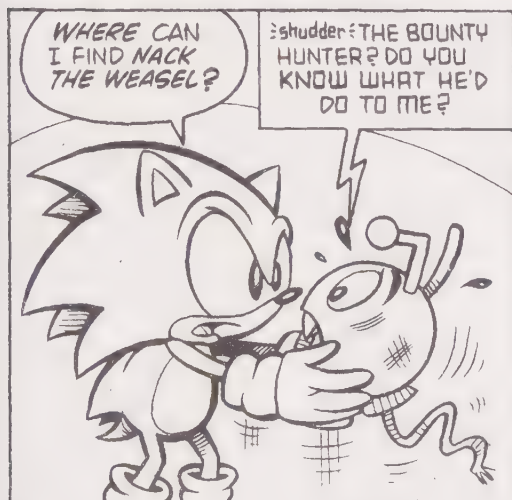
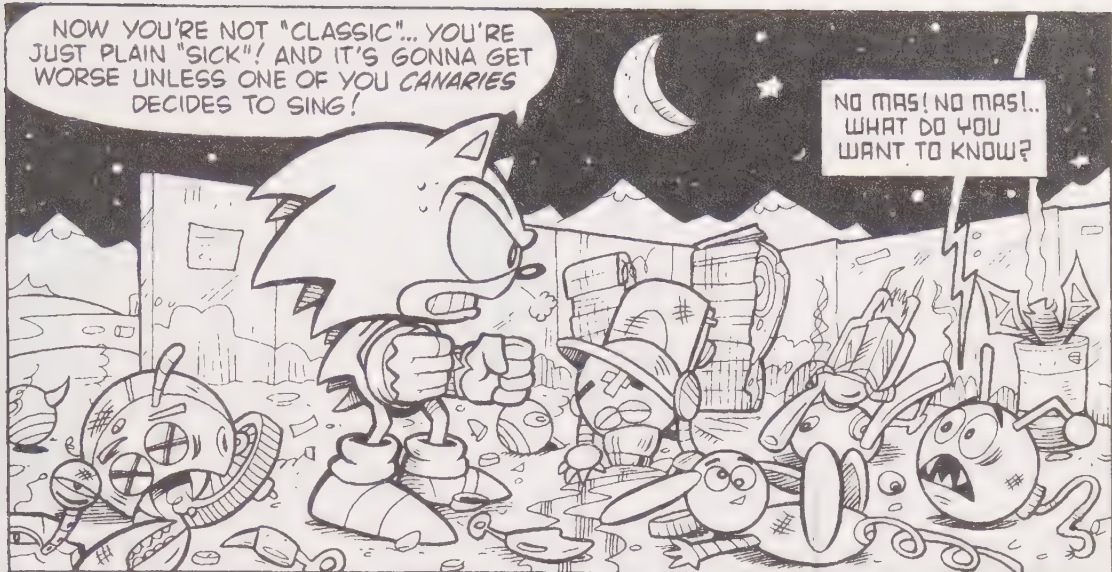


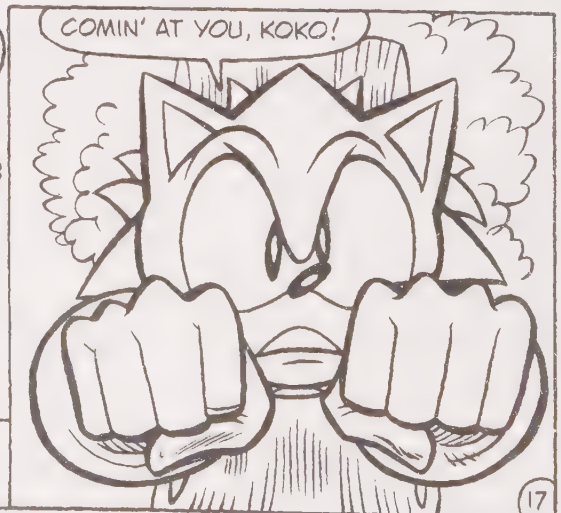
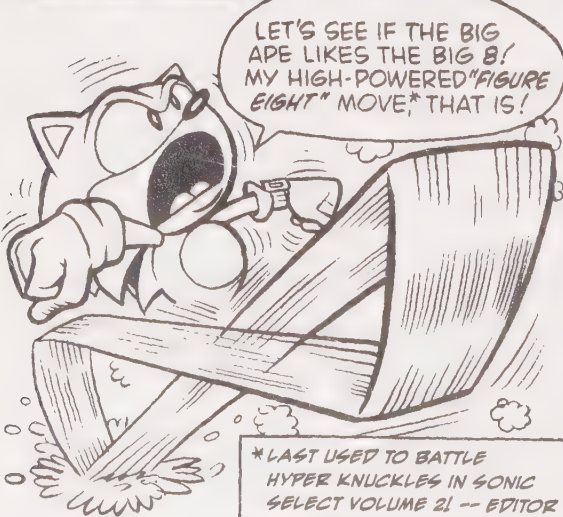
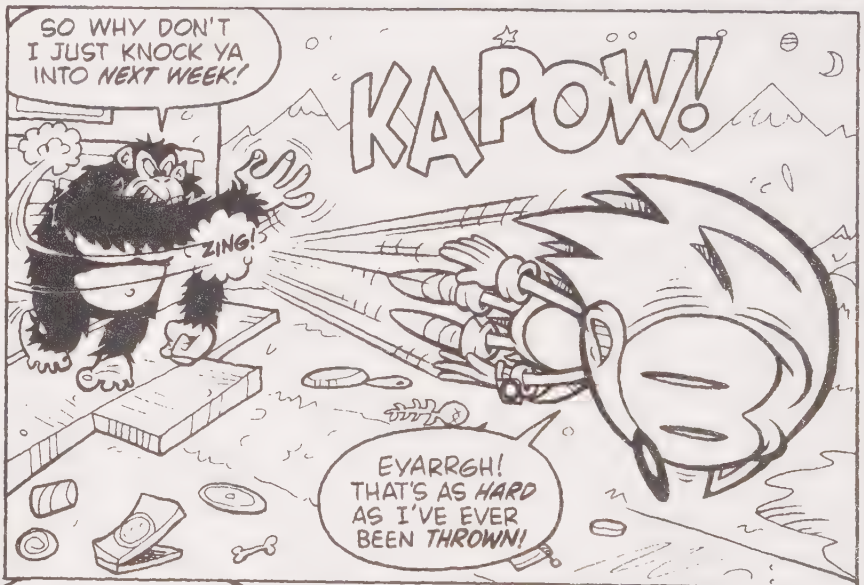
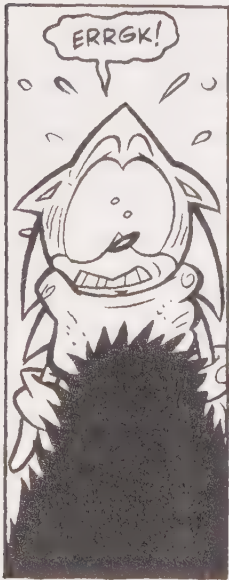
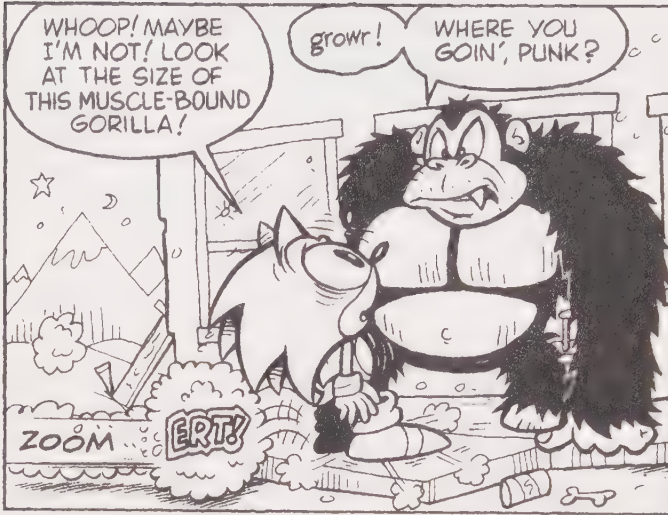


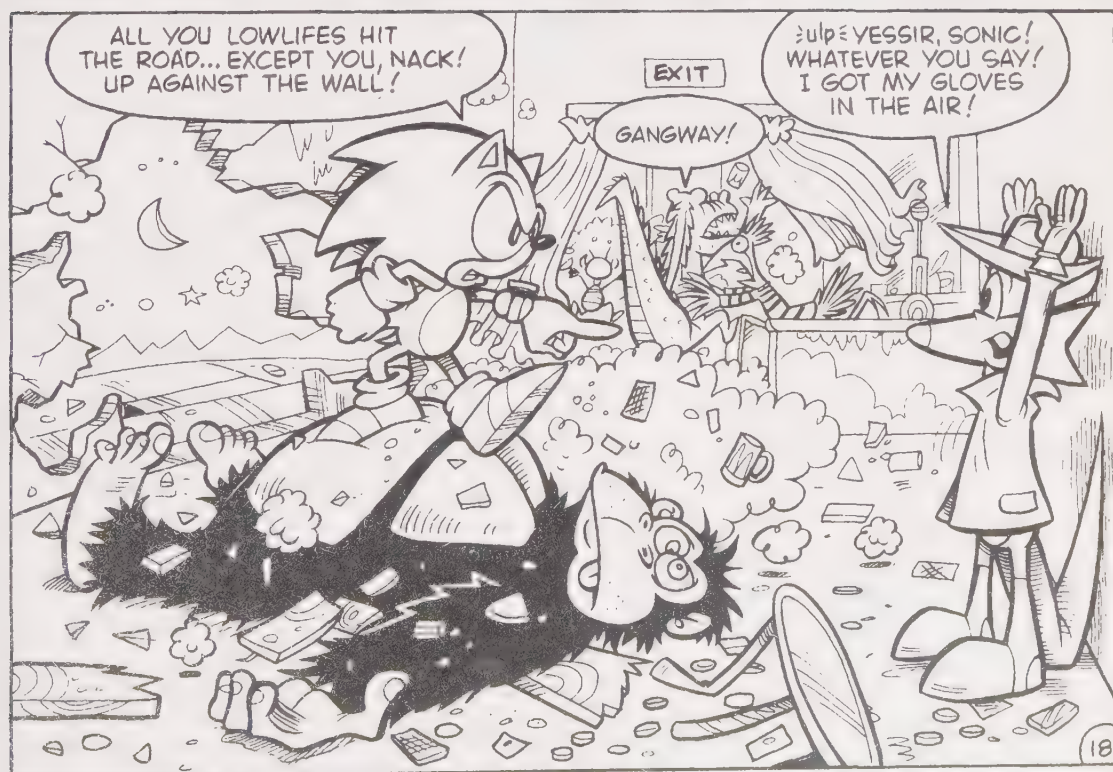


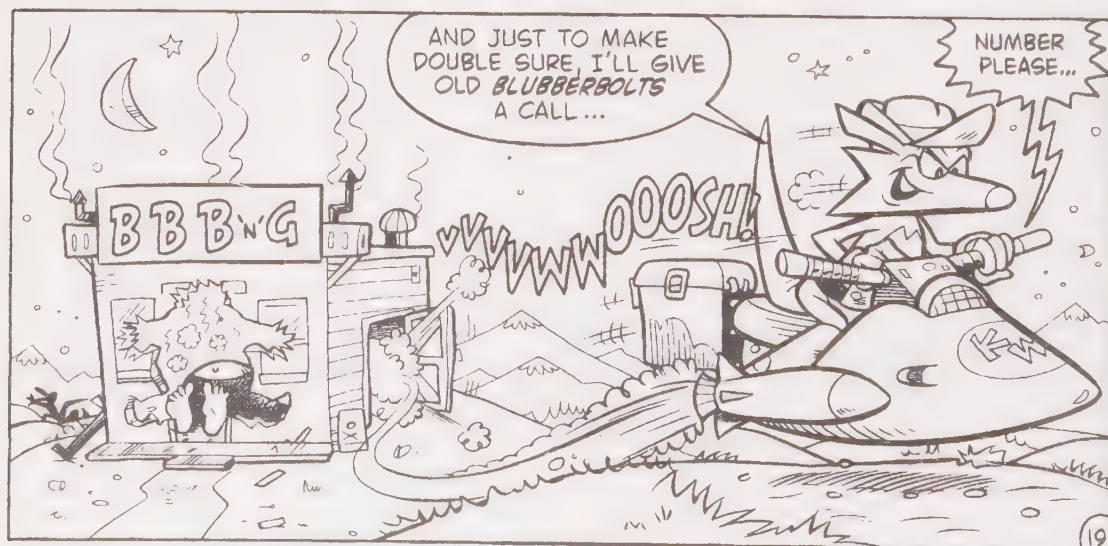
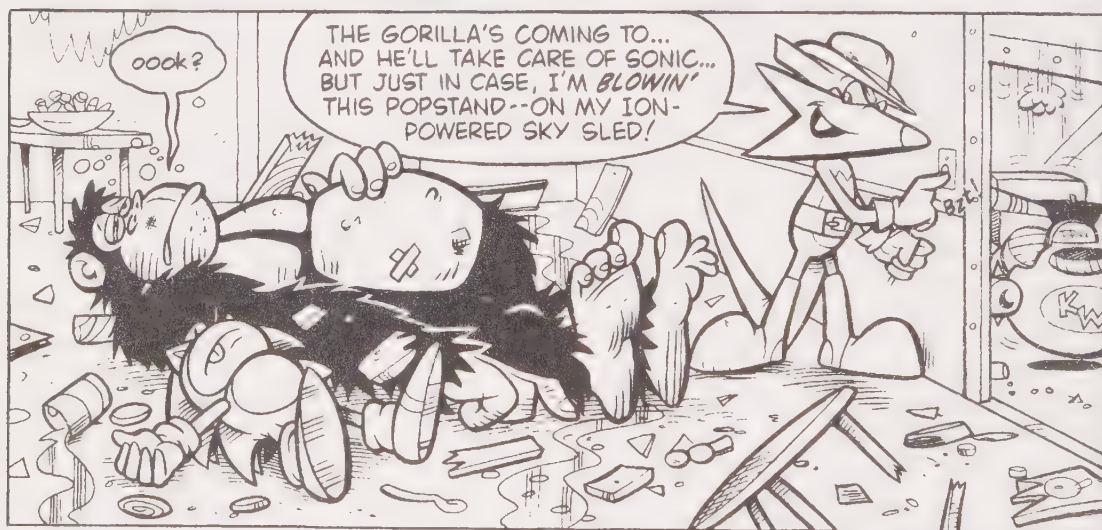
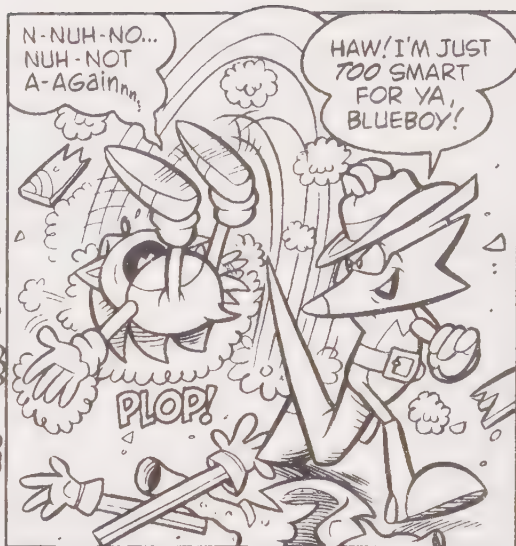
BONUS
PIN-UP PAGE!
SONIC
VERSUS THE
CLASSIC
BADNIKS!











INCAPACITATED?
IS THAT WHAT
YOU SAID?

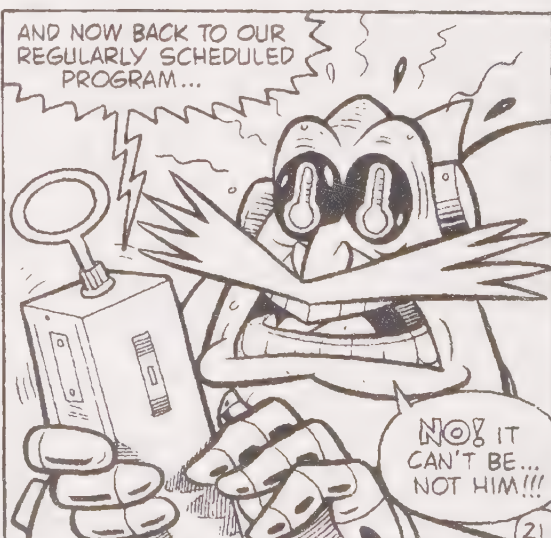
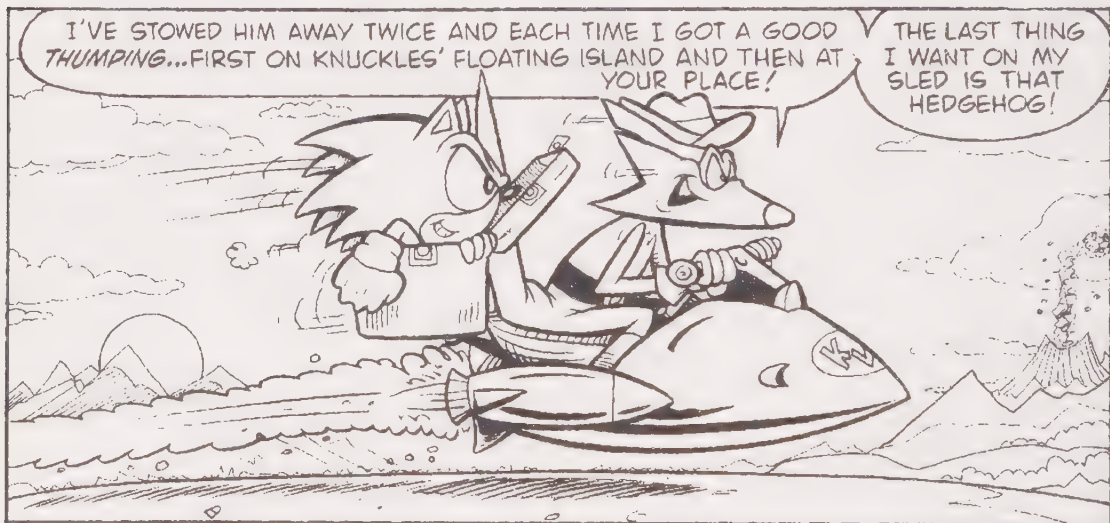
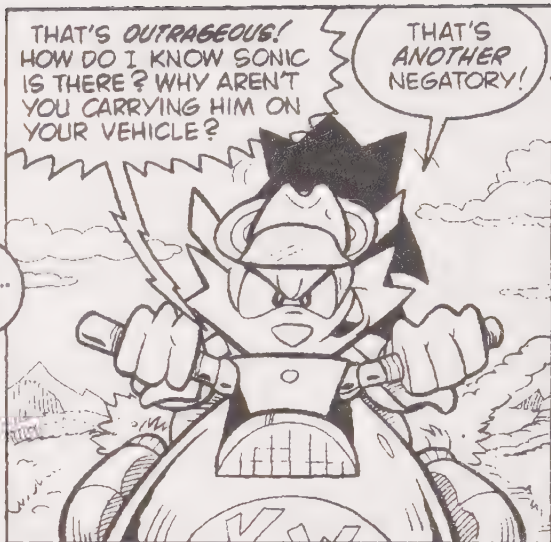
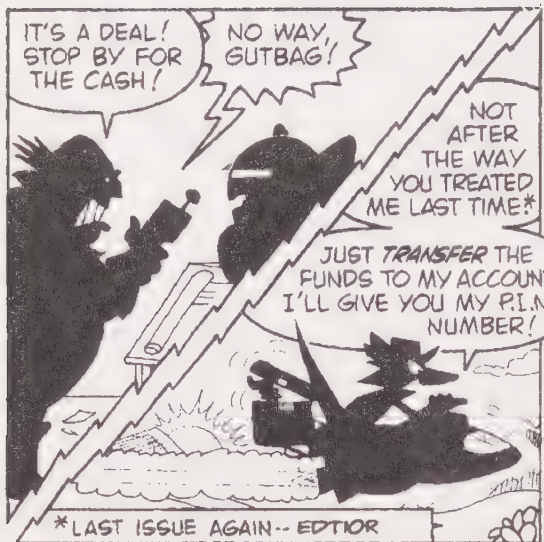
YES, SIRE! A
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COMING IN ON
THIS OLD HAND-
HELD UNIT!

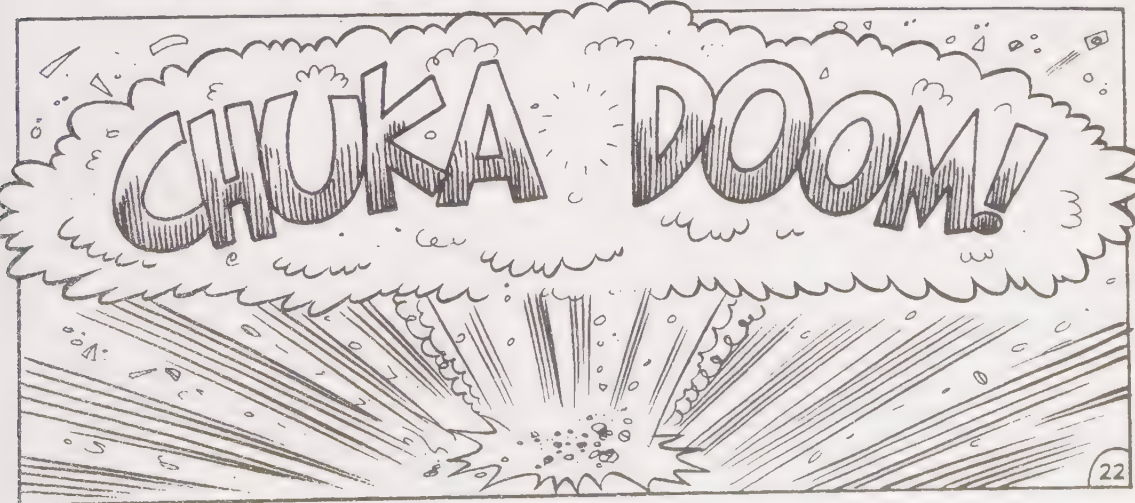
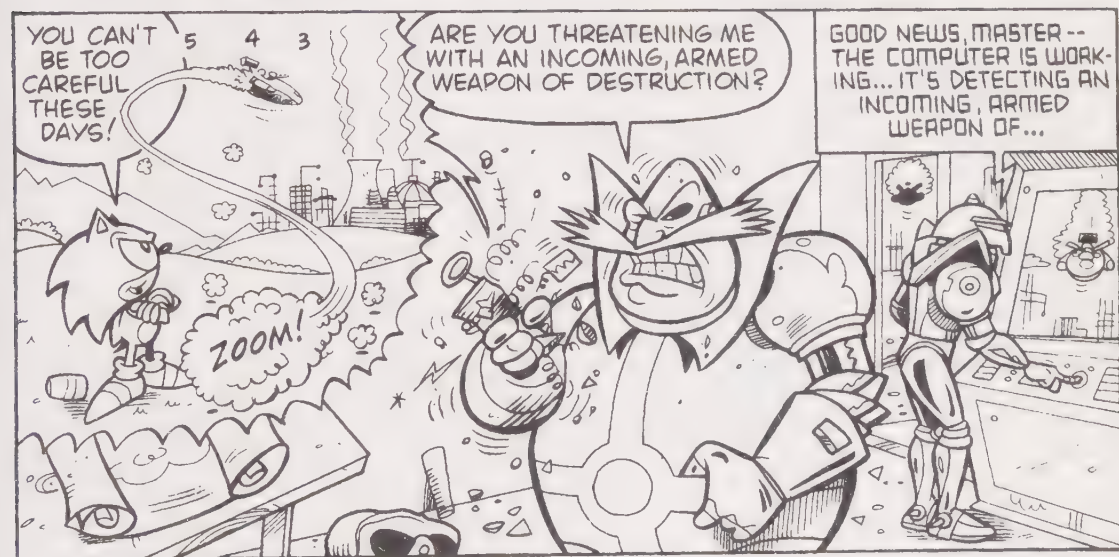
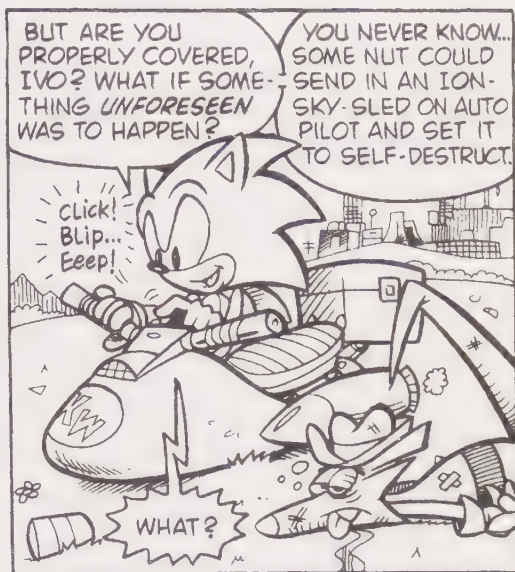
TOXIC
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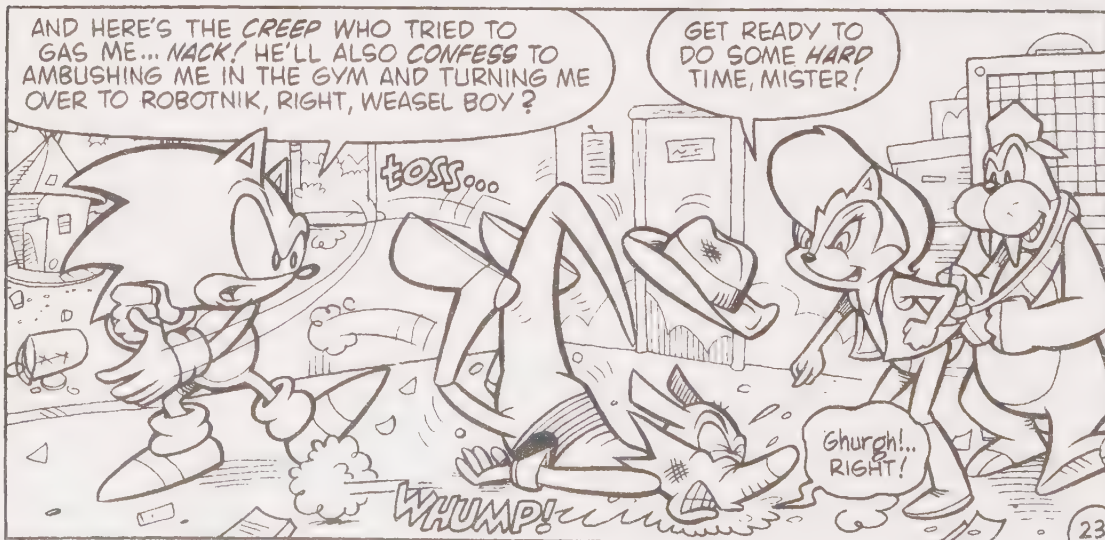
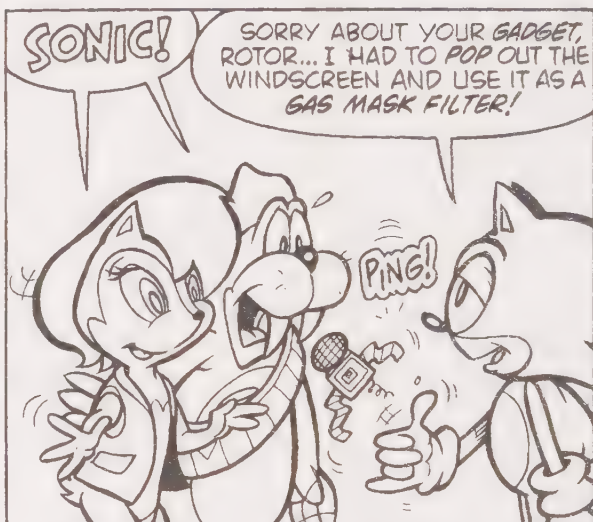
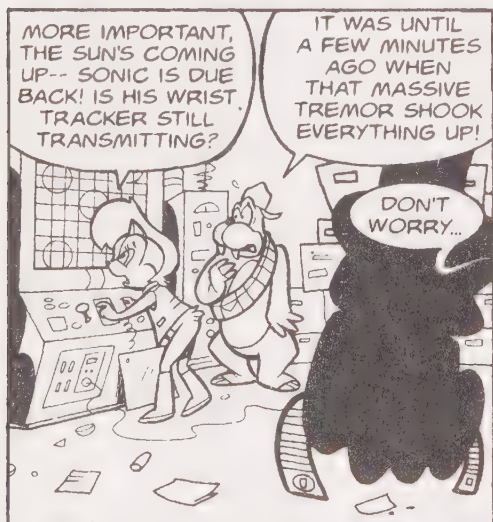
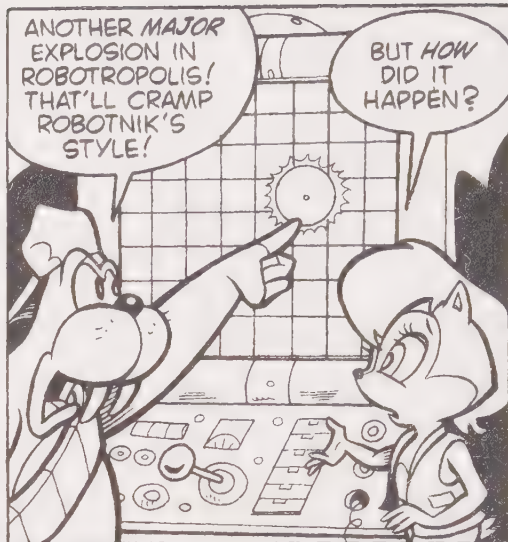
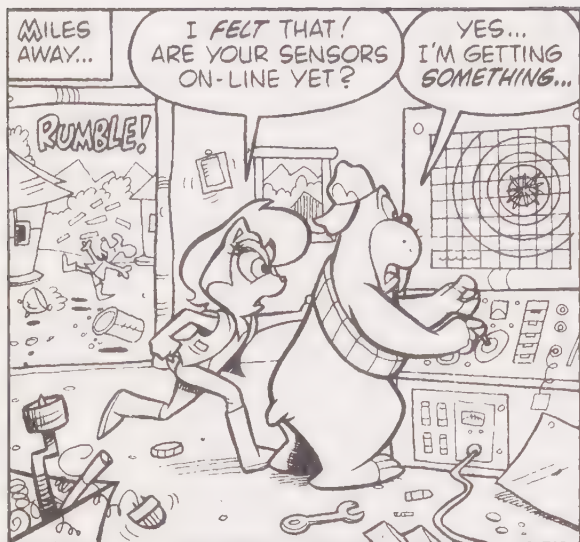
HELLO,
CHUBSY
UBSY!

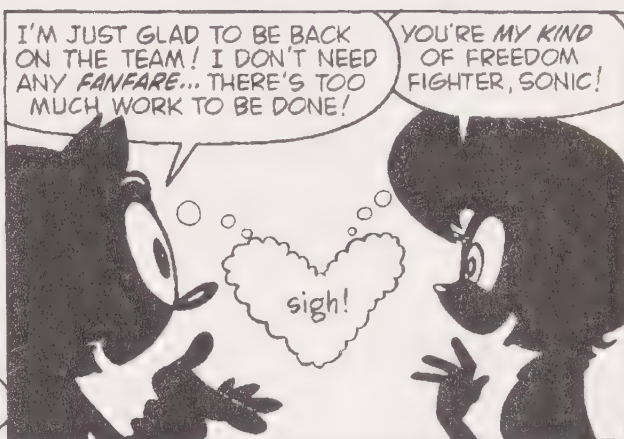
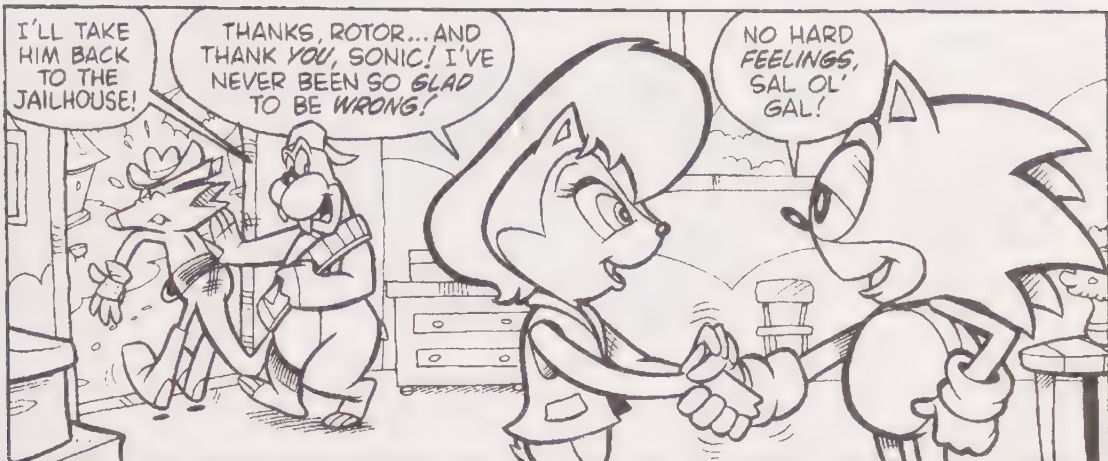
I KNOW THAT VOICE...
NACK THE WEASEL! WHAT
ARE YOU UP TO? NO
GOOD, I ASSUME!

THIS IS A ONE-
TIME-ONLY *SUNRISE*
SPECIAL, BIG BOY! TWO
MILLION SMACKERS FOR
THE LOCATION OF
UNCONSCIOUS
SONIC!







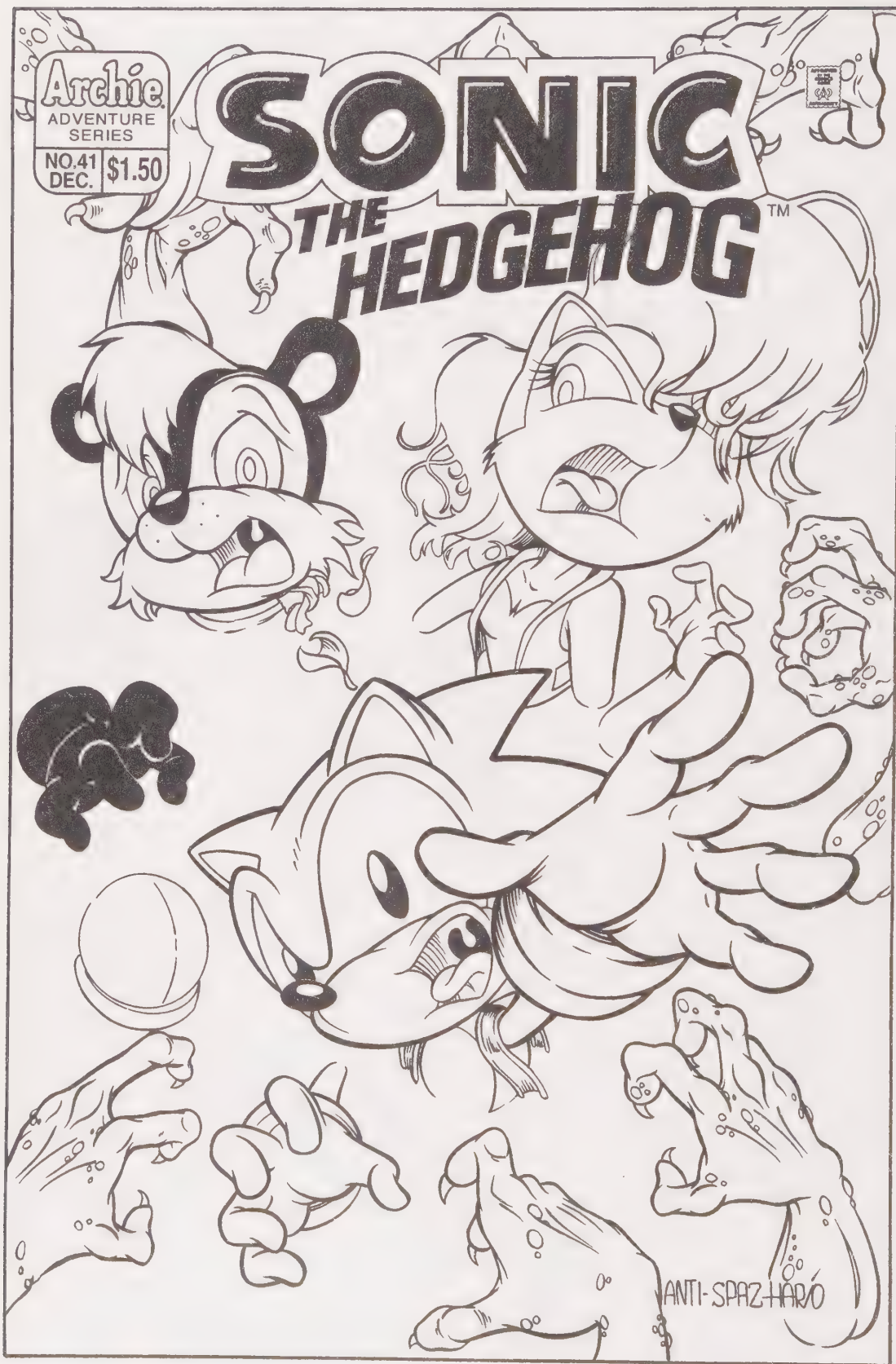


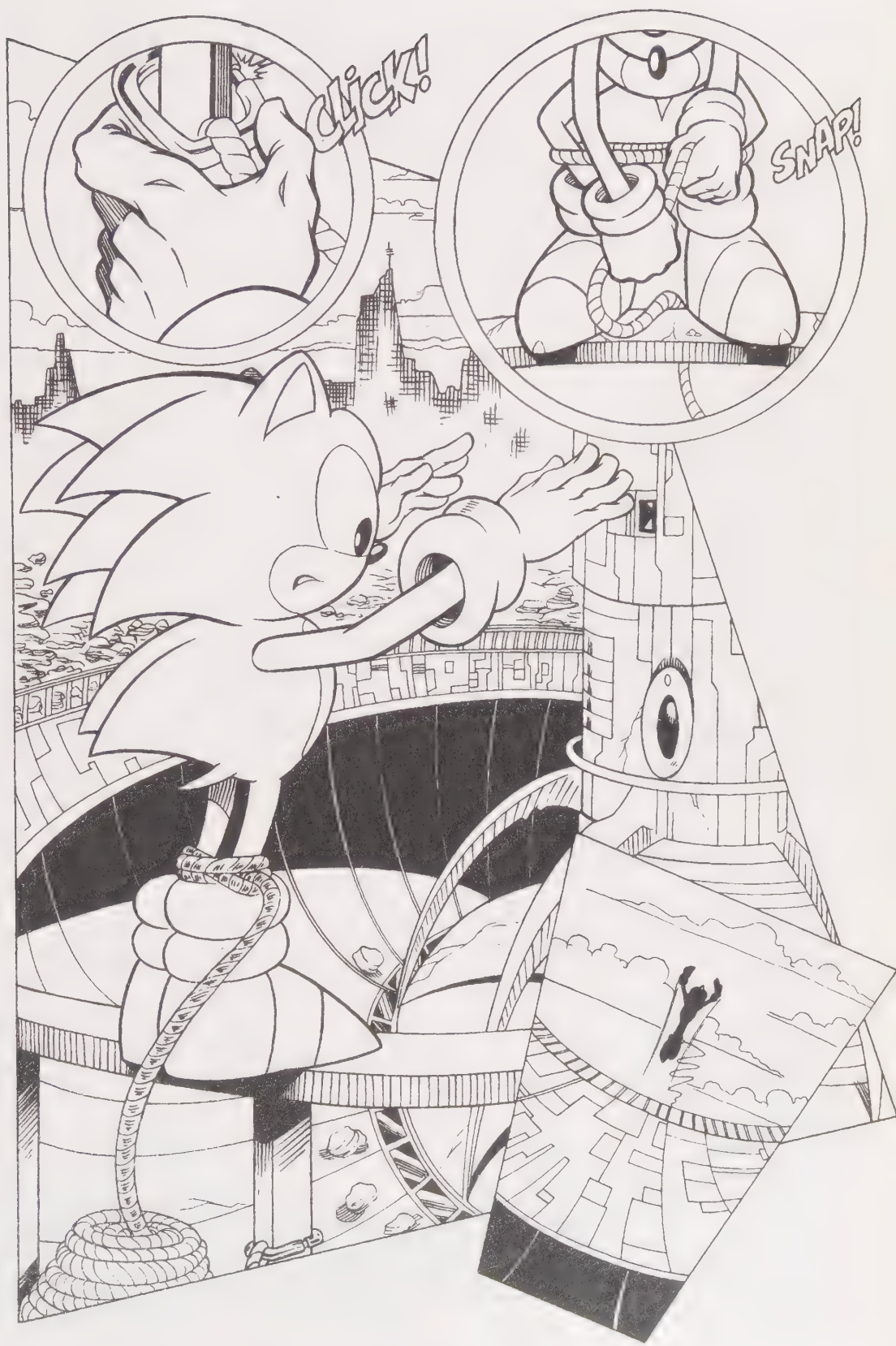
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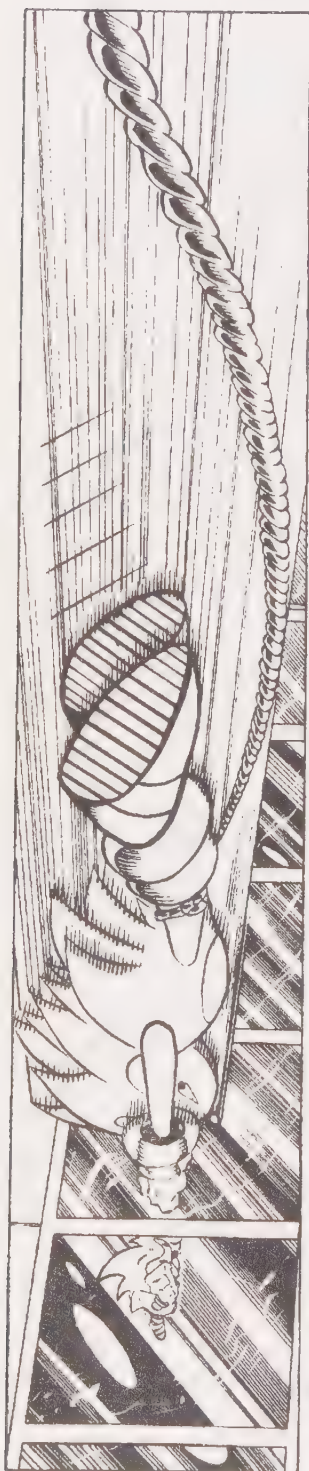
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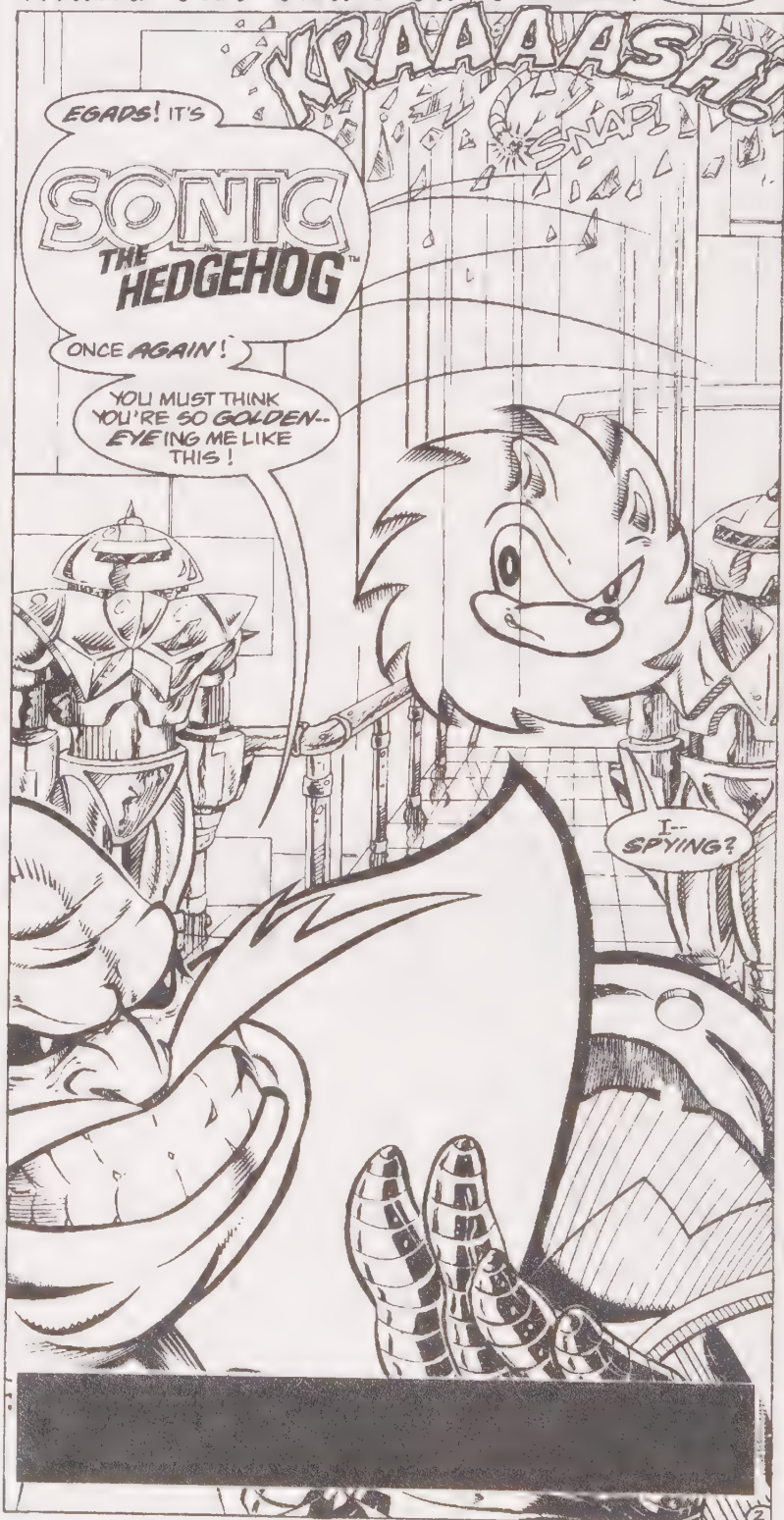


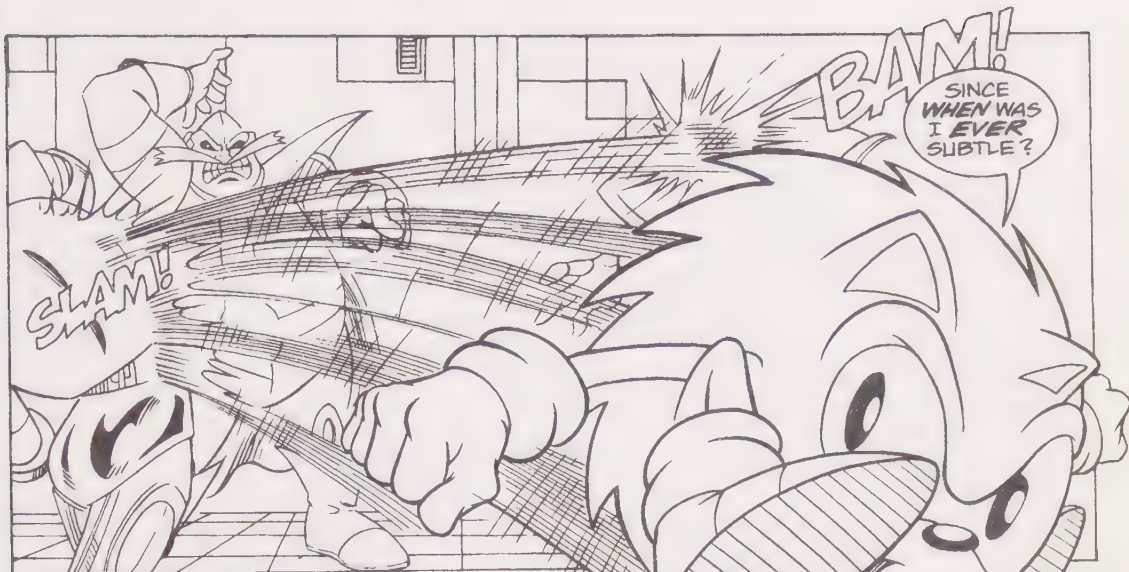


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 EDITOR
 VICTOR GORELICK--
 MANAGING EDITOR
 RICHARD GOLDWATER--
 EDITOR IN CHIEF

...and one shall save him!

Part I





BAM!
SINCE
WHEN WAS
I EVER
SUBTLE?

SLAM!



BESIDES, WITH ALL
THE DAMAGE YOUR
CITY'S BEEN HIT
WITH*, ALL I NEED
TO DO IS GET WHAT
I CAME FOR, AND
RUN!

click!

TRYING
TO **BAG** ME
YOURSELF IS
THE **REAL**
TRICK!

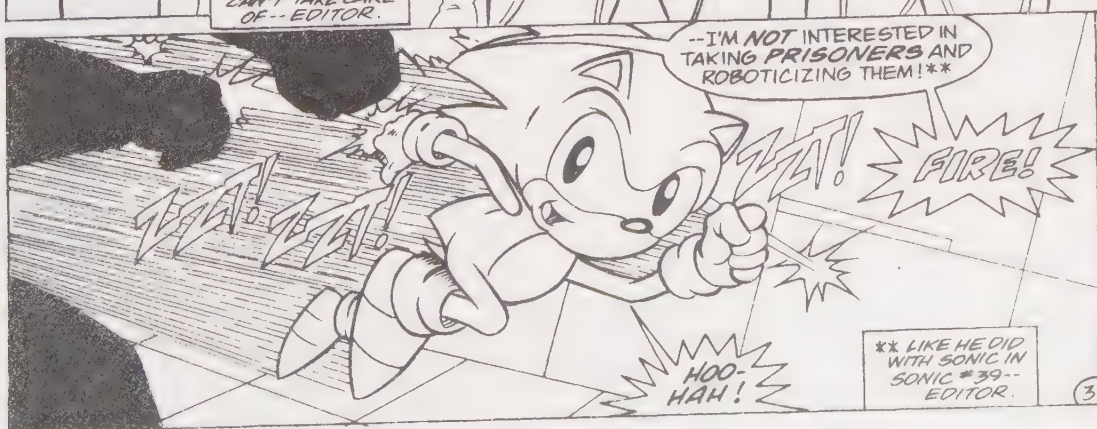
BLIZZ!

* NOTHING AN
EARTHQUAKE IN
SONIC #37 AND
A FEW BOMBS IN
MECHA MADNESS
SPECIAL #1
CAN'T TAKE CARE
OF-- EDITOR.



YOU'VE **PUSHED**
YOUR LUCK TOO **FAR** THIS
TIME, HEDGEHOG!

FOR ONCE--



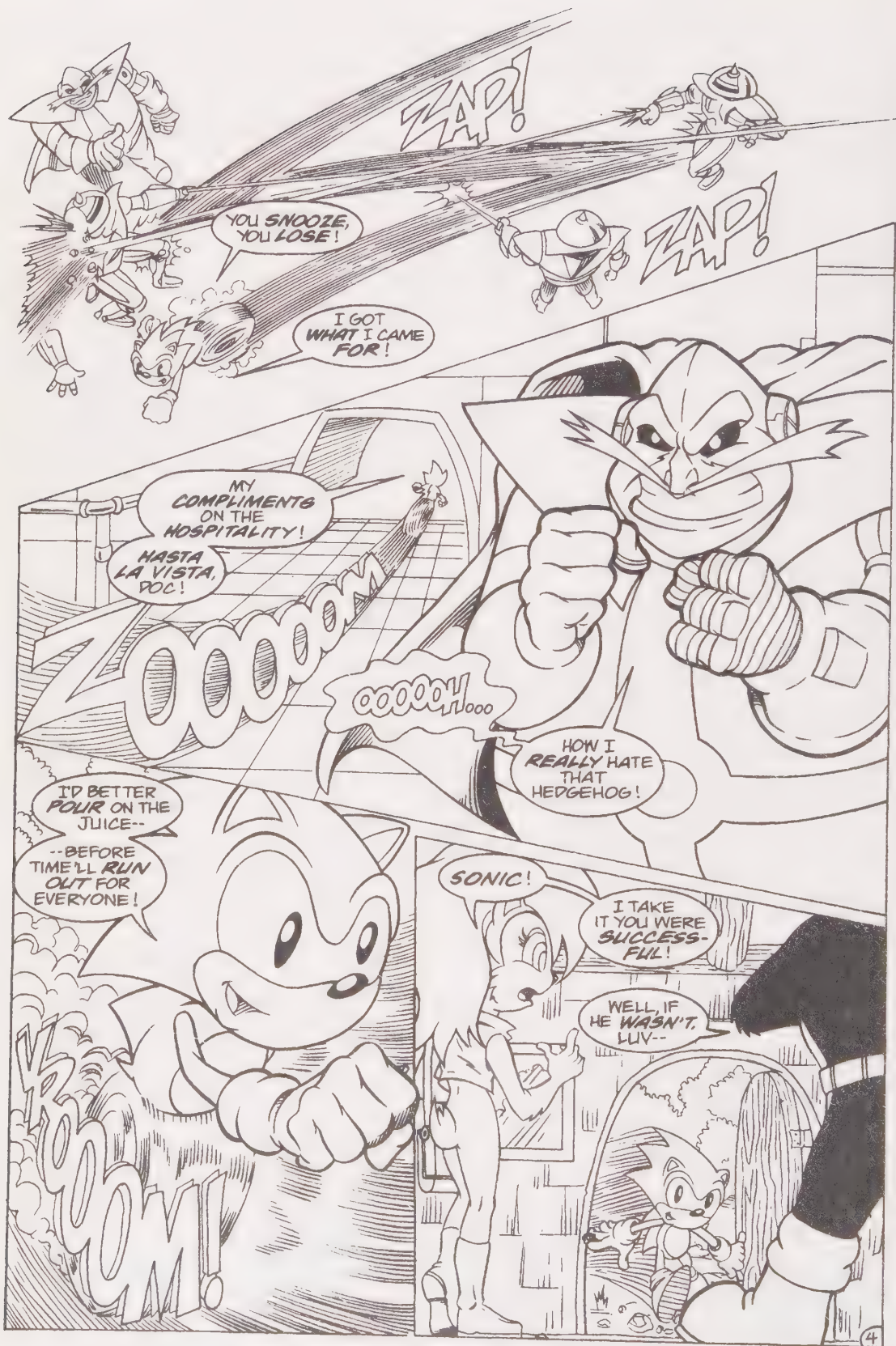
--I'M **NOT** INTERESTED IN
TAKING **PRISONERS** AND
ROBOTICIZING THEM! **

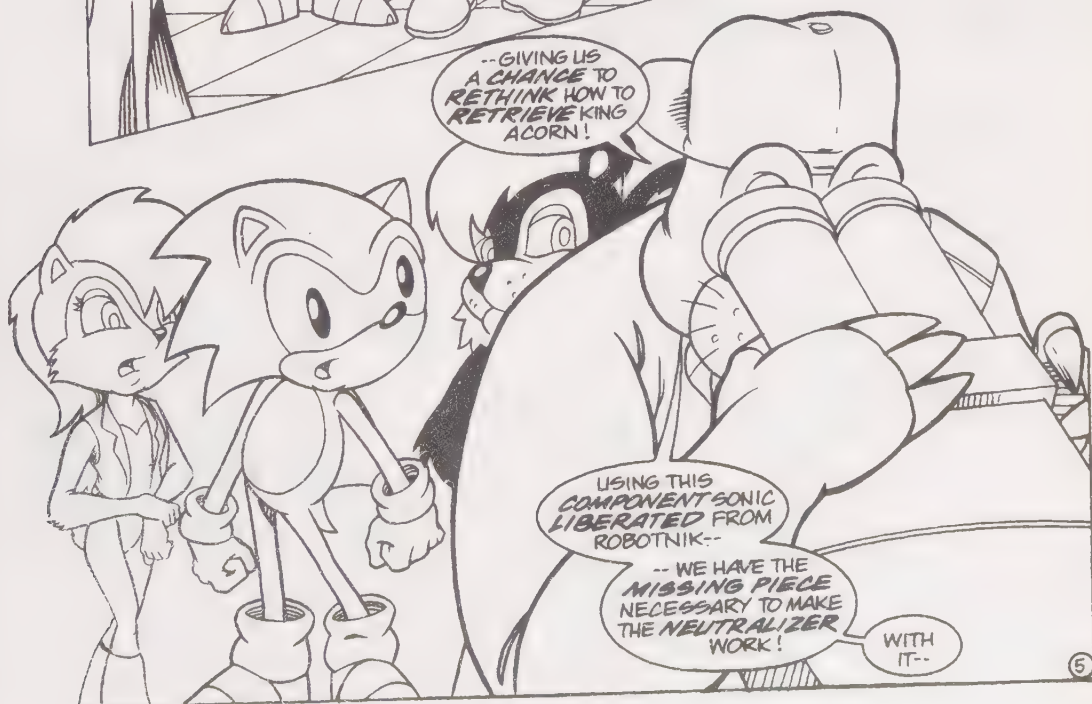
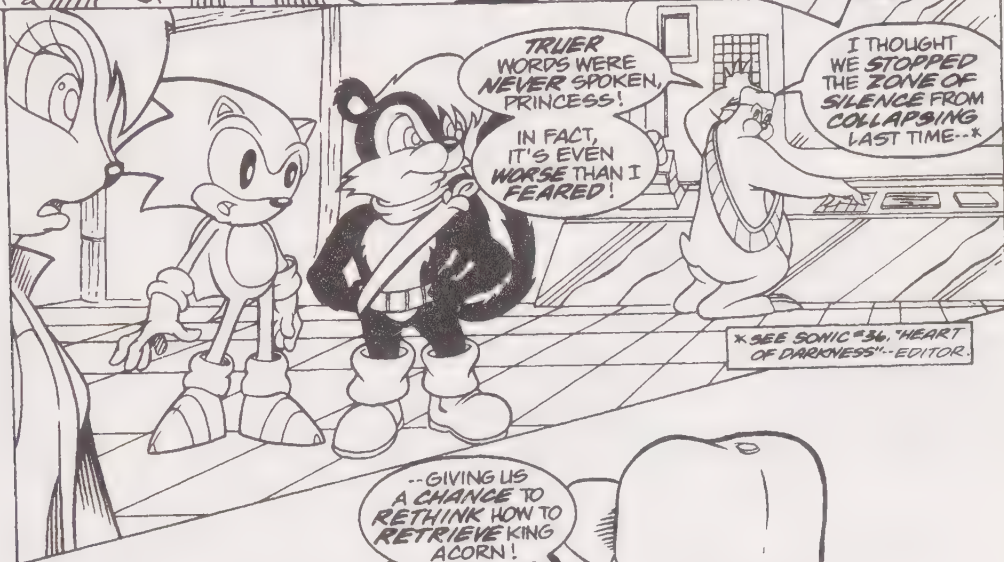
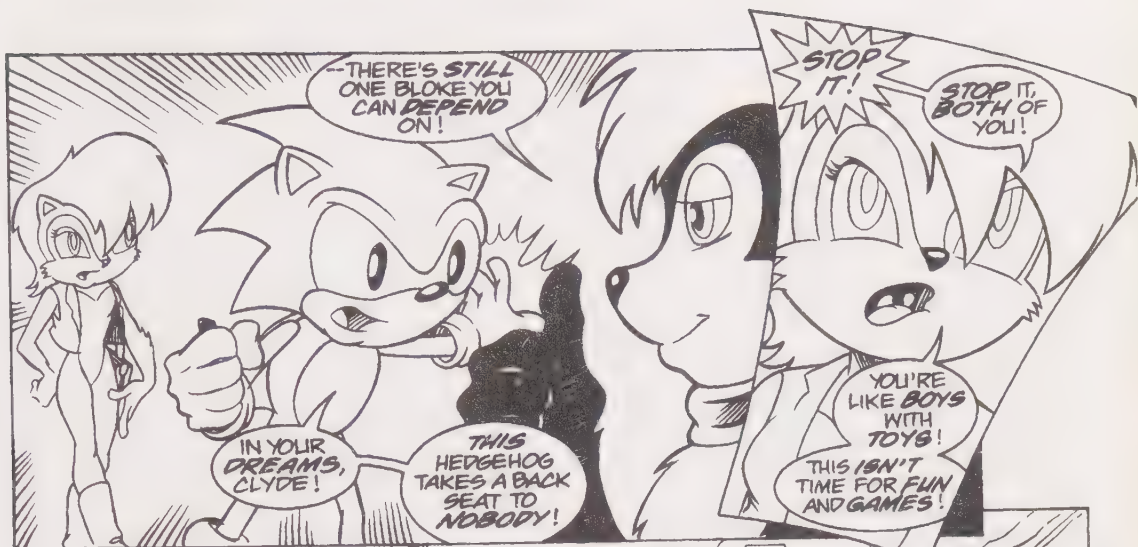
FIRE!

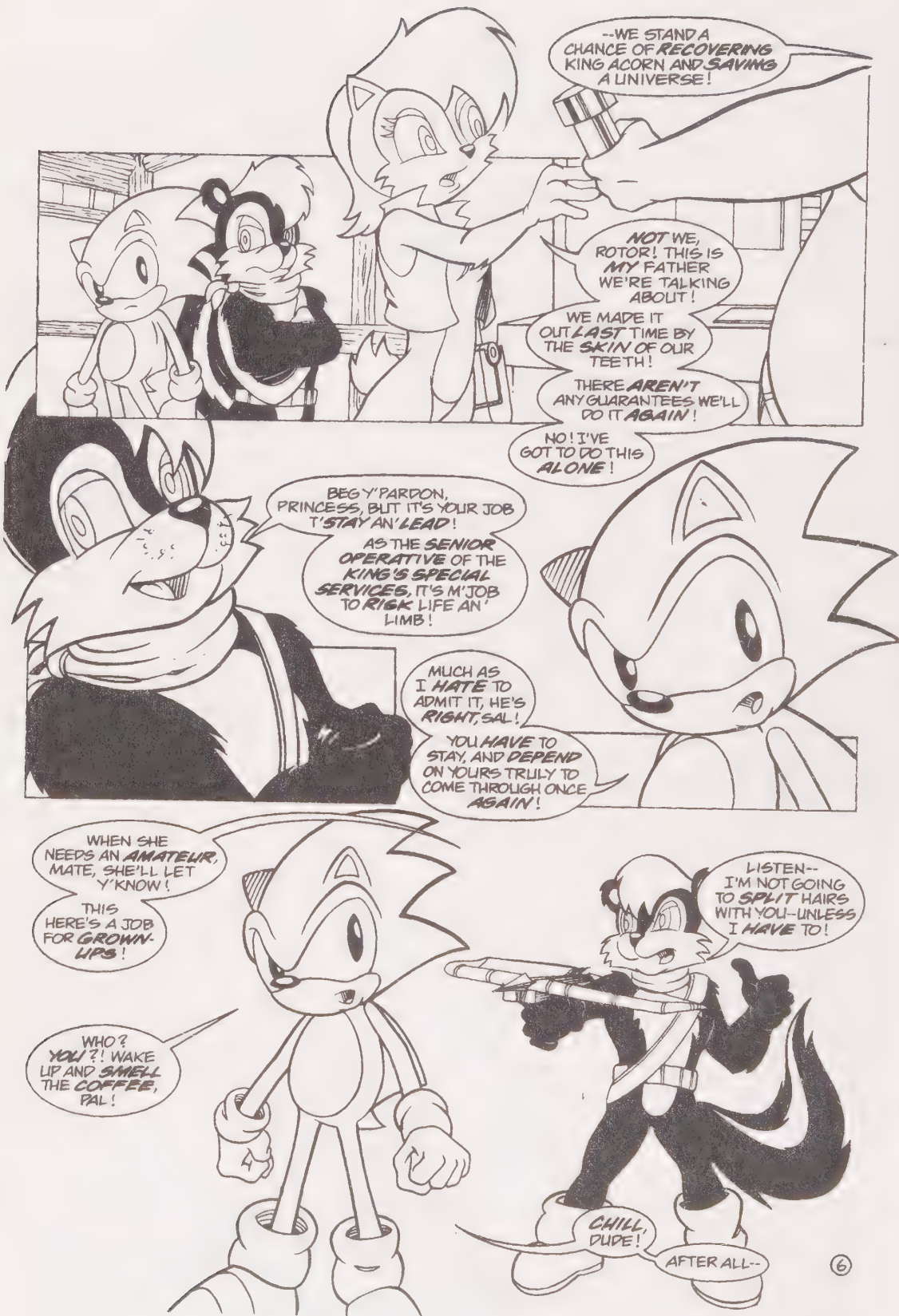
**HOO-
HAA!**

** LIKE HE DID
WITH SONIC IN
SONIC #39--
EDITOR.

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--WE STAND A CHANCE OF **RECOVERING** KING ACORN AND **SAVING** A UNIVERSE!

NOT WE, ROTOR! THIS IS **MY** FATHER WE'RE TALKING ABOUT!

WE MADE IT OUT **LAST** TIME BY THE **SKIN** OF OUR **TEETH**!

THERE, **AREN'T** ANY GUARANTEES WE'LL DO IT **AGAIN**!

NO! I'VE GOT TO DO THIS **ALONE**!

BEG Y' PARDON, PRINCESS, BUT IT'S YOUR JOB T' **STAY** AN' **LEAD**!

AS THE **SENIOR** OPERATIVE OF THE **KING'S SPECIAL SERVICES**, IT'S M'JOB TO **RISK** LIFE AN' LIMB!

MUCH AS I **HATE** TO ADMIT IT, HE'S **RIGHT**, SAL!

YOU **HAVE** TO **STAY**, AND **DEPEND** ON YOURS TRULY TO COME THROUGH ONCE **AGAIN**!

WHEN SHE NEEDS AN **AMATEUR**, MATE, SHE'LL LET Y'KNOW!

THIS HERE'S A JOB FOR **GROWN-UPS**!

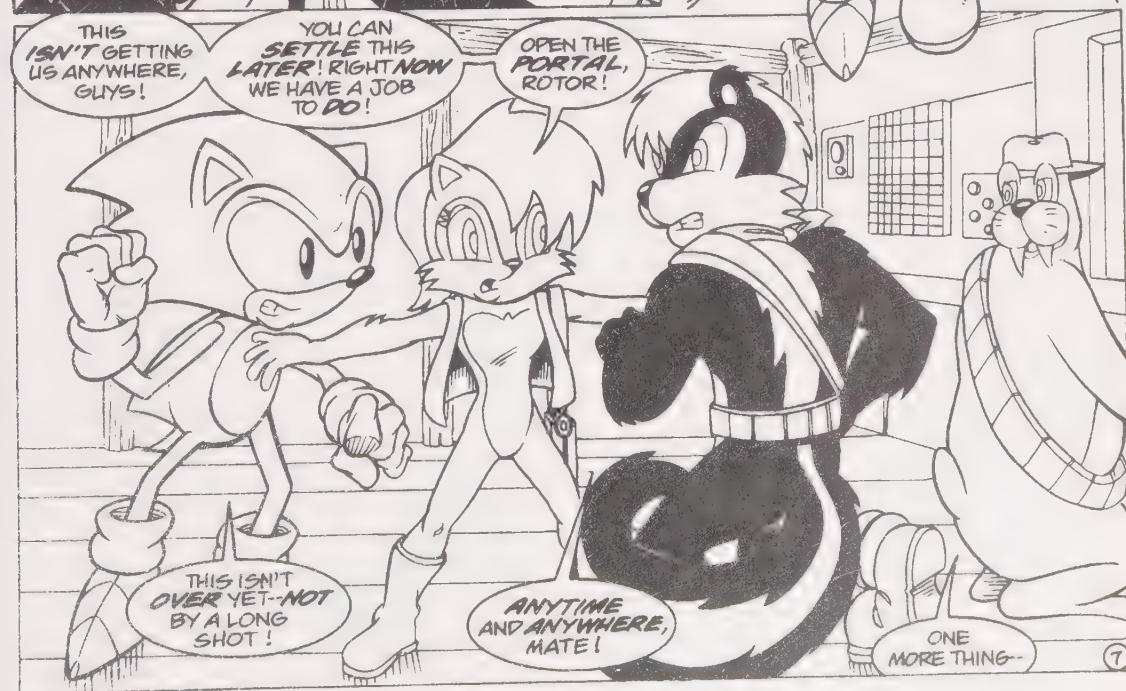
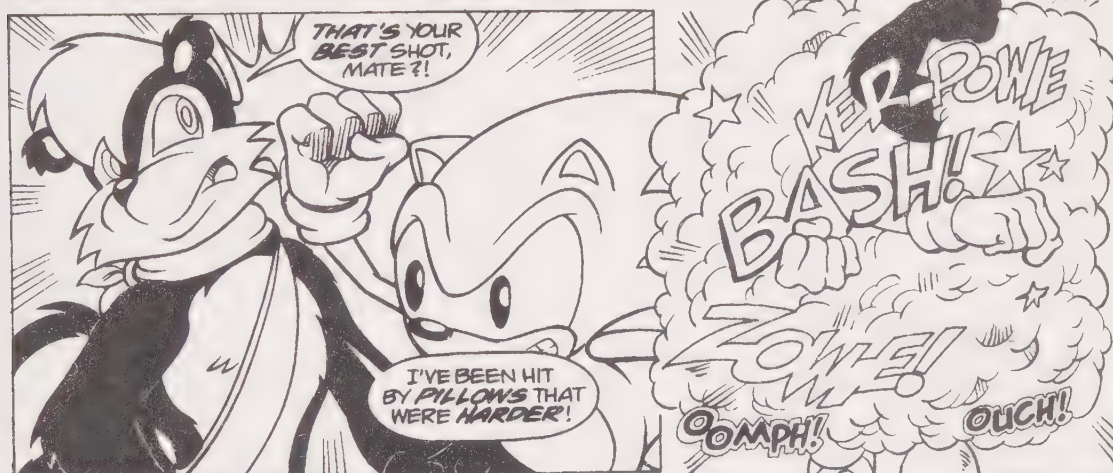
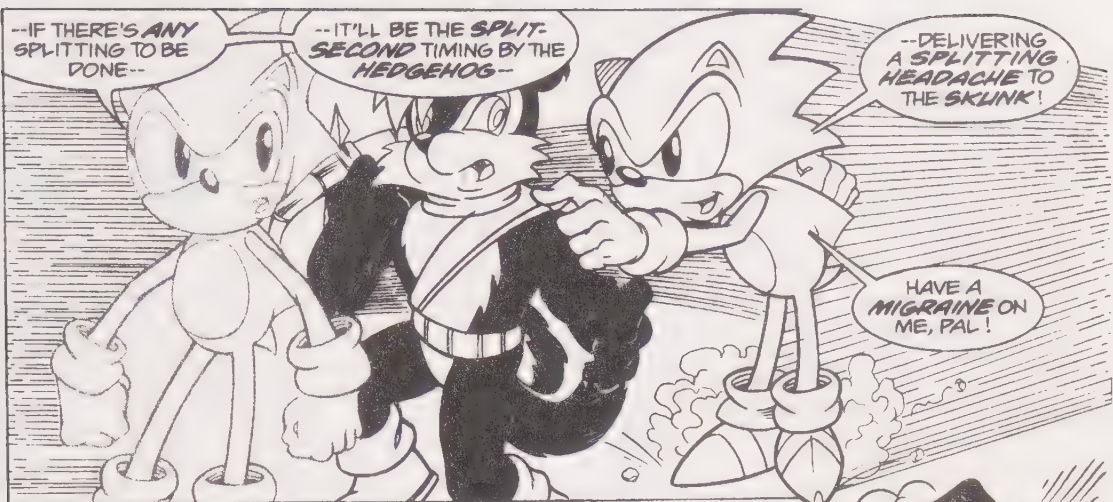
WHO? **YOU**?! WAKE UP AND **SMELL** THE **COFFEE**, PAL!

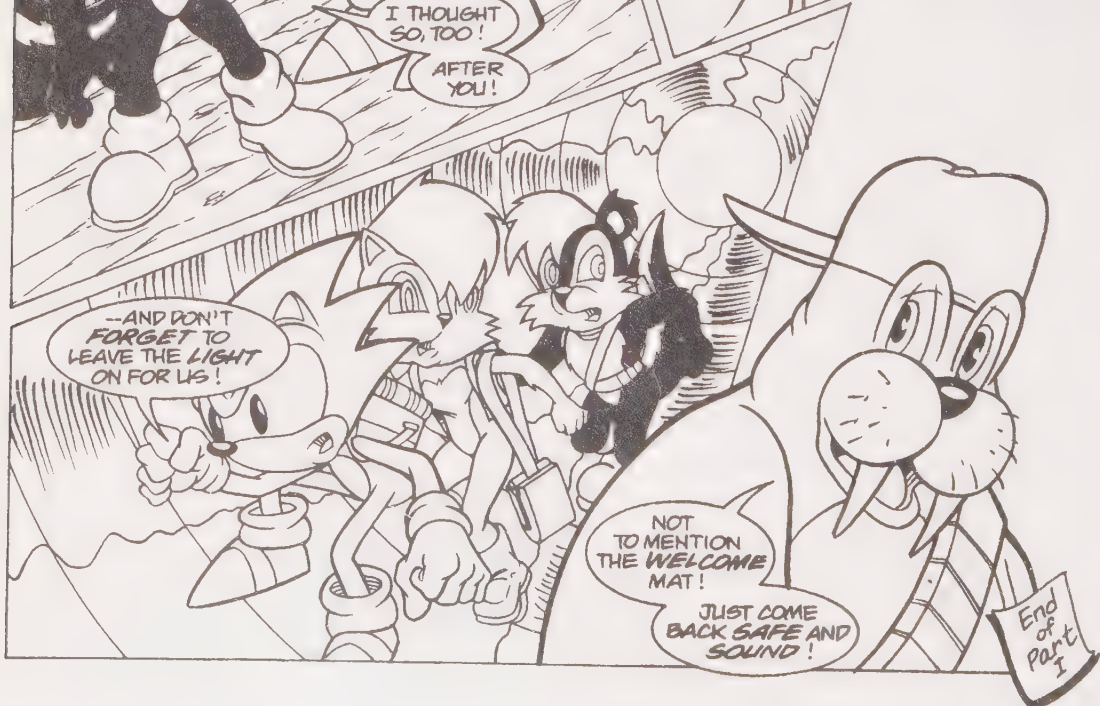
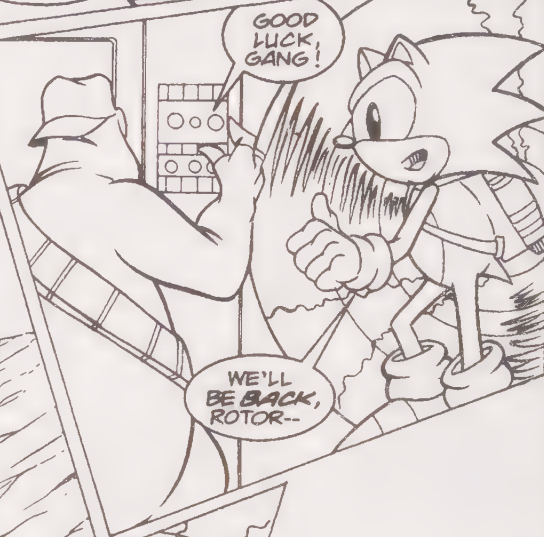
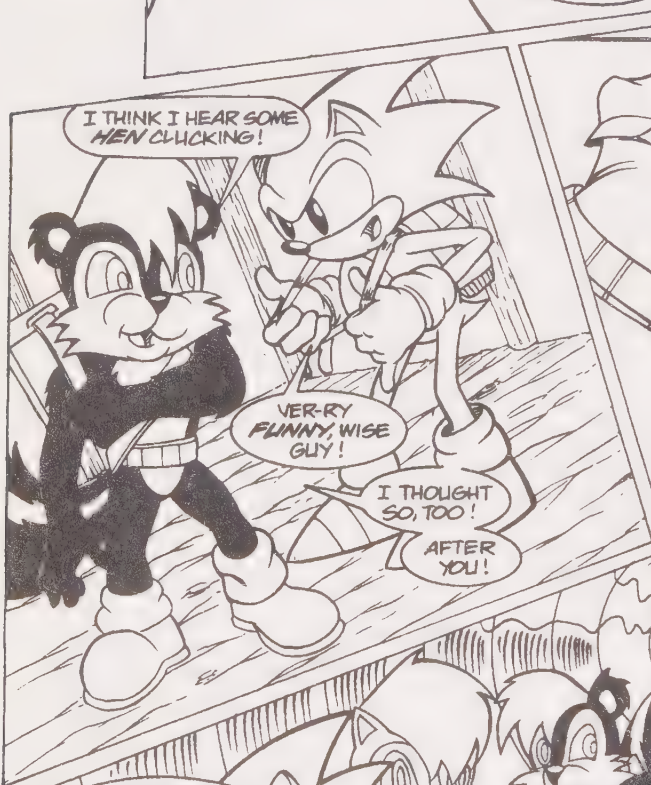
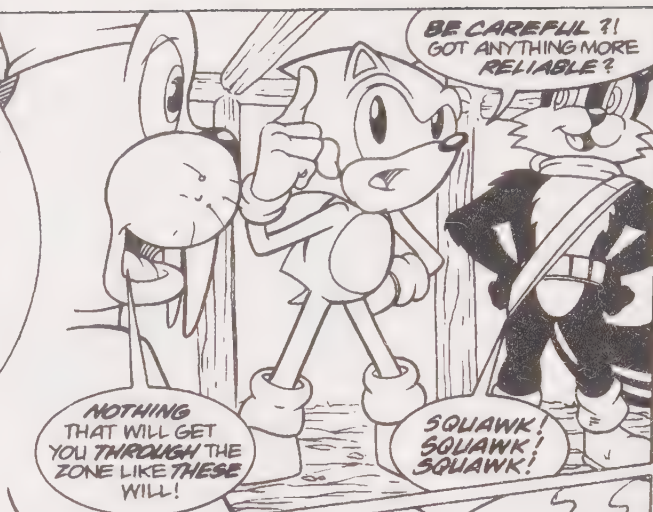
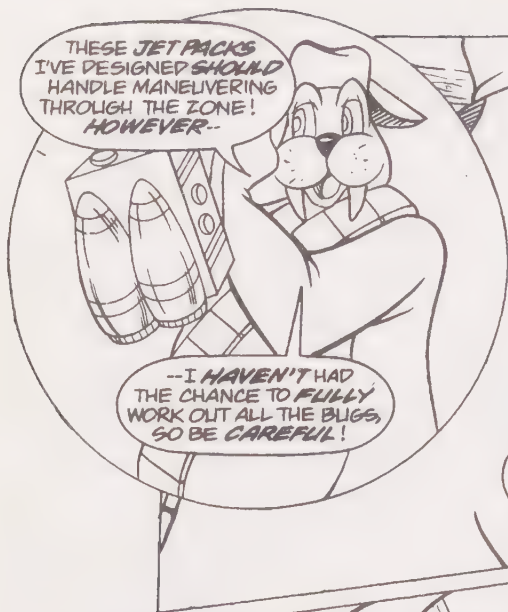
LISTEN-- I'M NOT GOING TO **SPLIT** HAIRS WITH YOU--UNLESS I **HAVE** TO!

CHILL, DUDE!

AFTER ALL--

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...and one shall save him!

Part II

I SENSE
HIS ARRIVAL!

SONIC
THE
HEDGEHOG™

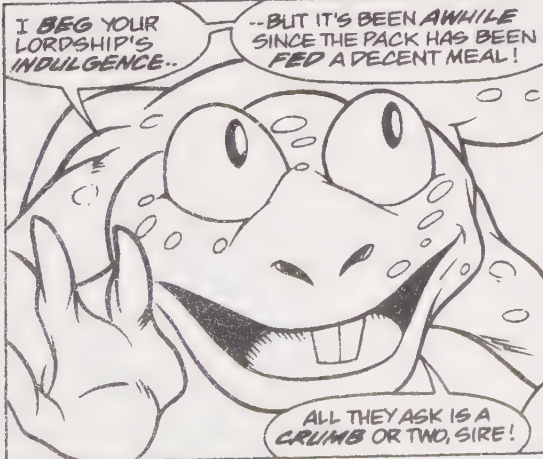
THE ONLY
FOE TO INVADE
MY DOMAIN
AND ESCAPE MY
WRATH!

HE WILL
NOT BE SO
FORTUNATE--

--THIS
TIME!

EH?

WHAT IS
IT, TOADY?



I BEG YOUR
LORDSHIP'S
INDULGENCE--

--BUT IT'S BEEN AWHILE
SINCE THE PACK HAS BEEN
FED A DECENT MEAL!

ALL THEY ASK IS A
CRUMB OR TWO, SIRE!

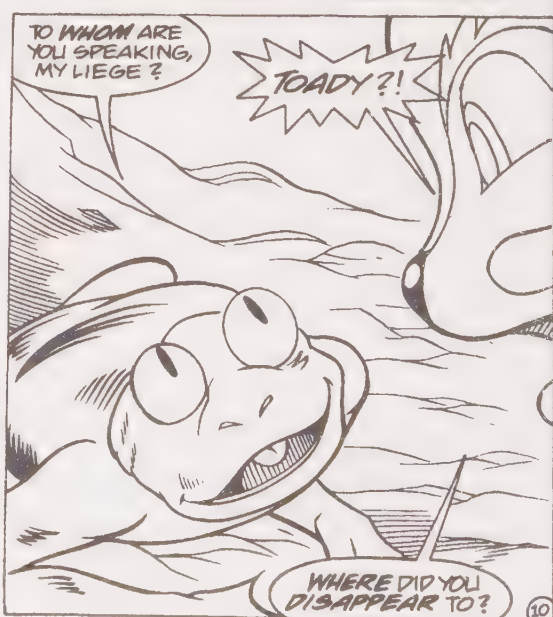
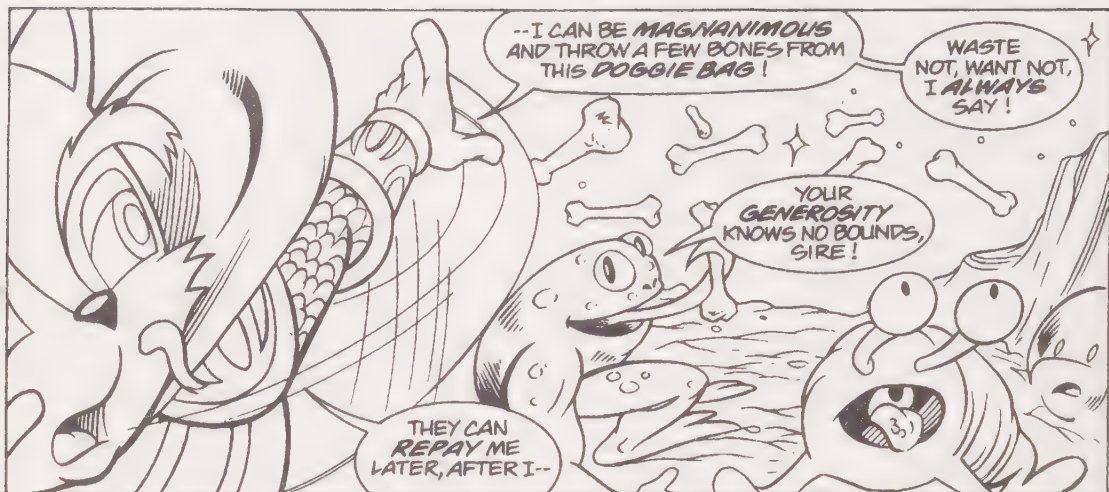


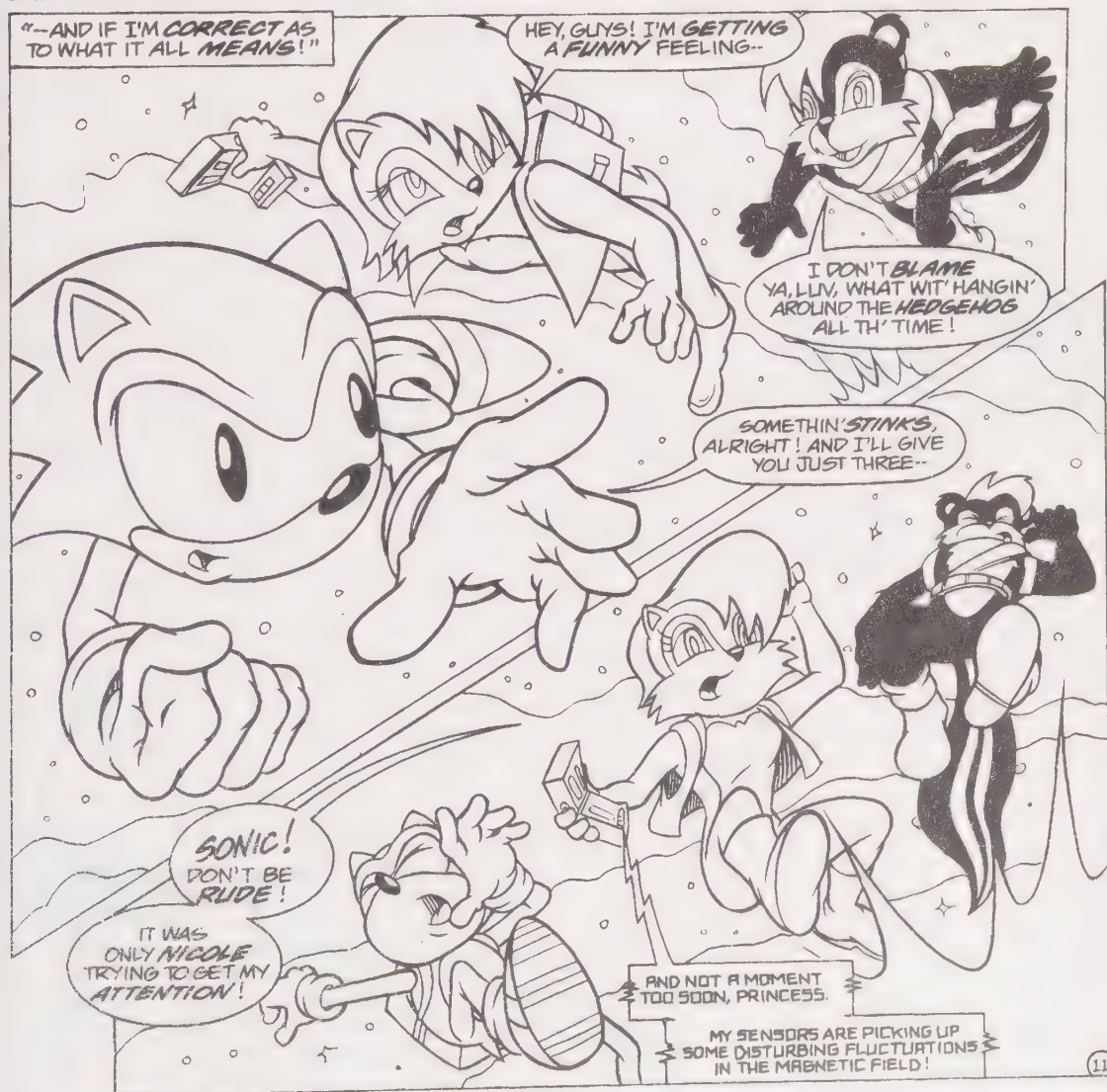
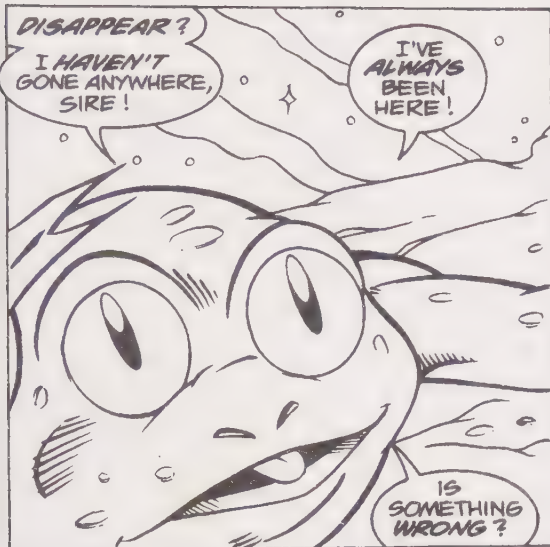
YOUR GROVELING IS IMPECCABLE, AS
ALWAYS, MY FAITHFUL FOOTSTOOL!

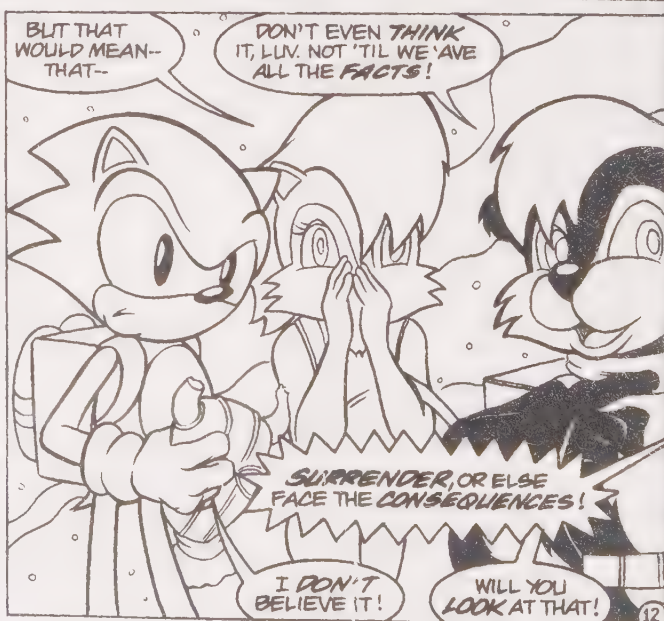
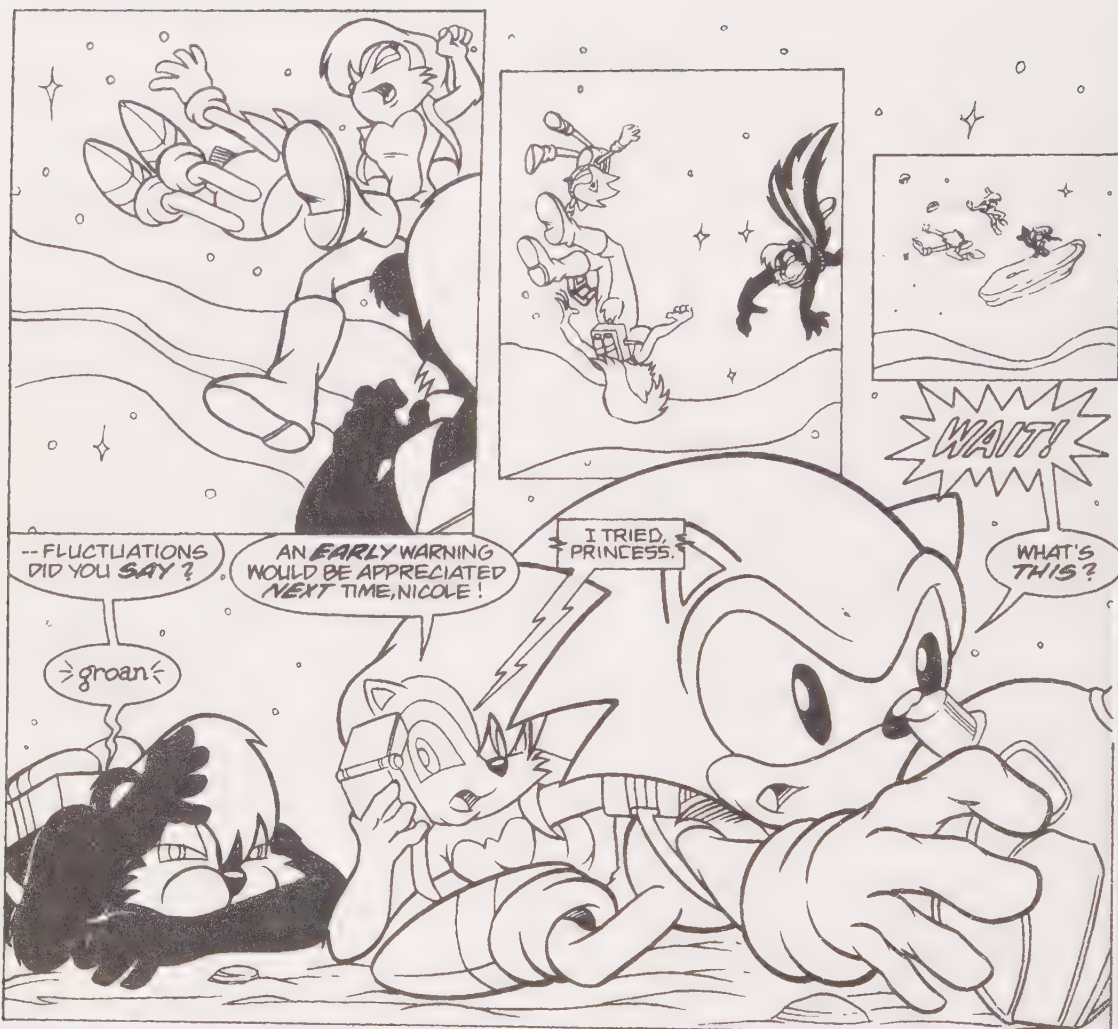
BUT
YOUR TIMING
LEAVES A LOT
TO BE
DESIRED!

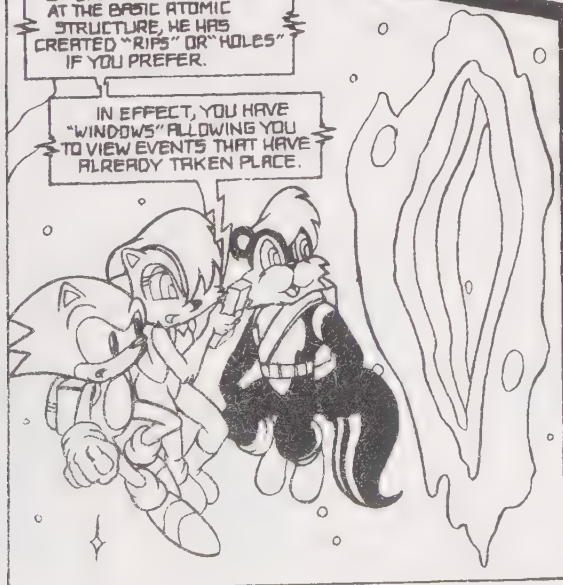
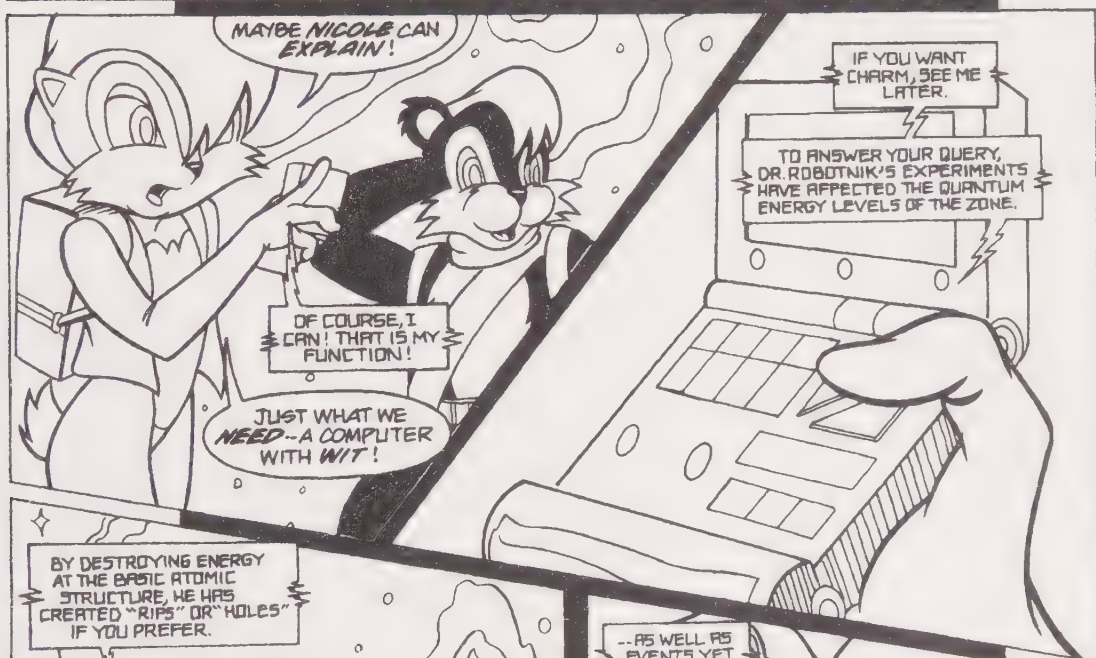
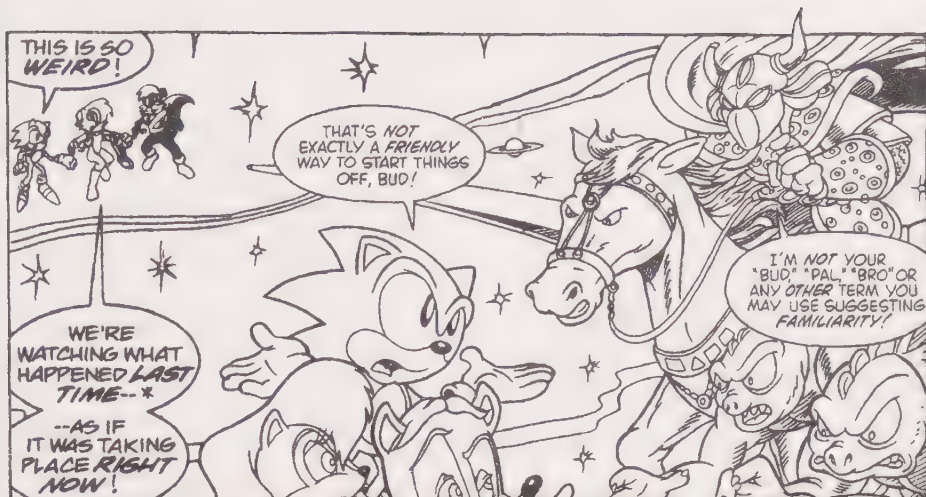
HOWEVER--

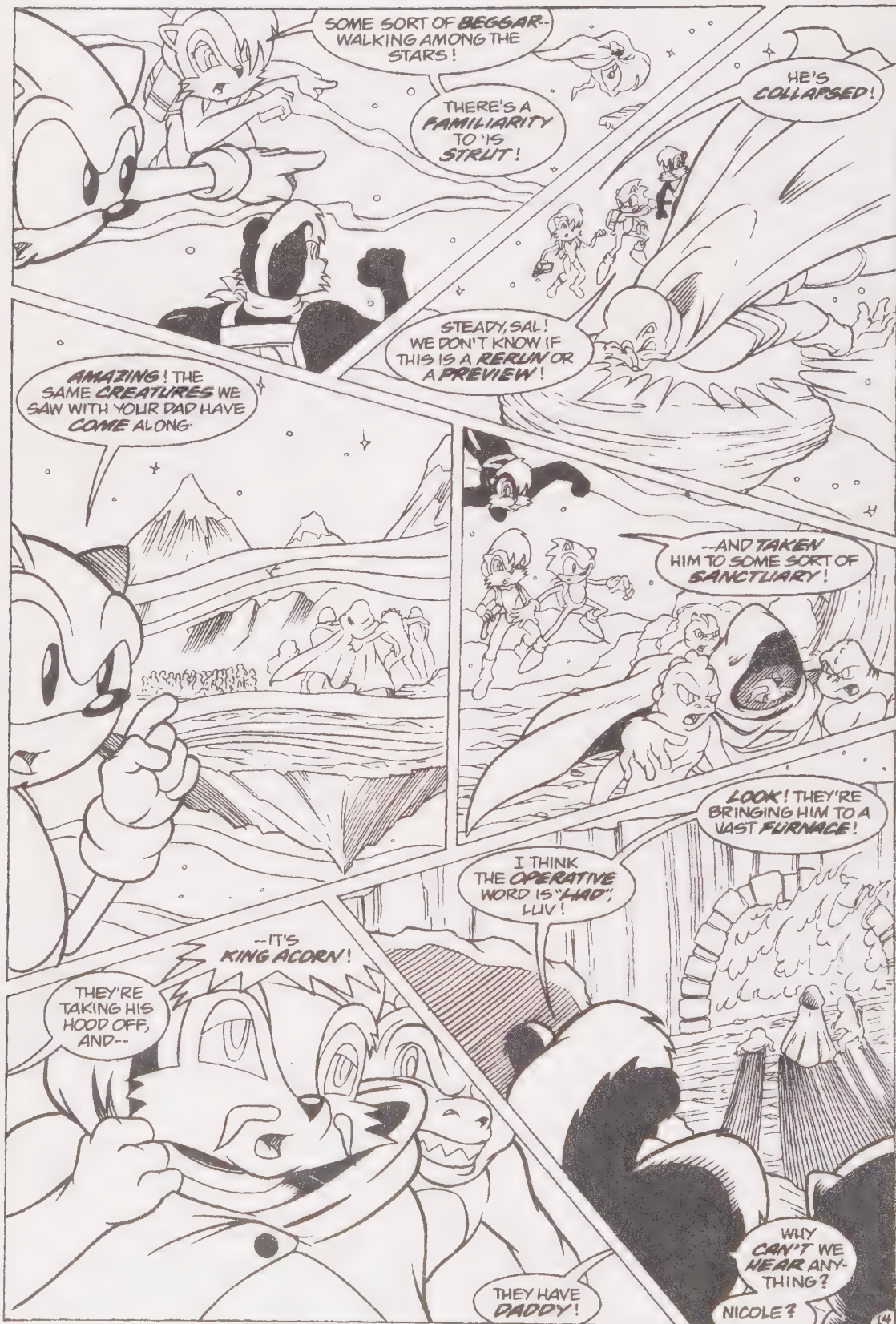
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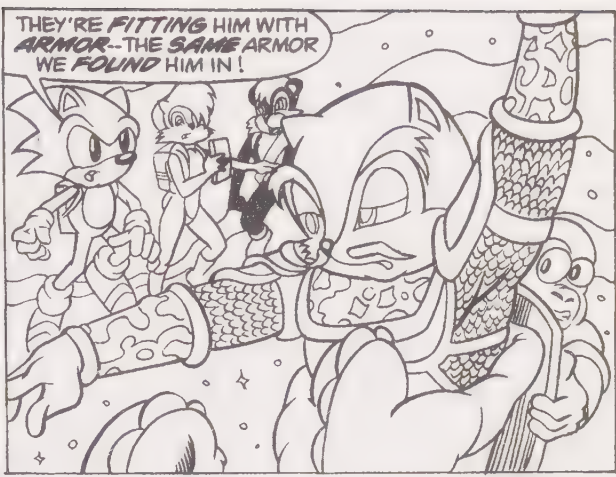




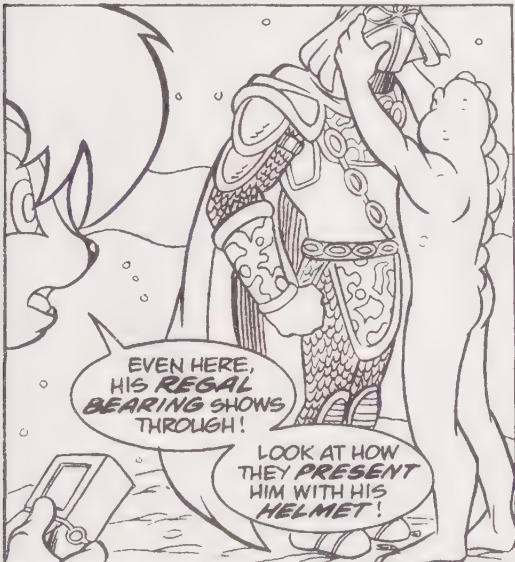


ALL EVIDENCE SUPPORTS MR. ST. JOHN'S
★ OPINION WE ARE WATCHING EVENTS THAT
TOOK PLACE SOME TIME AGO!

THE FURTHER BACK
AN EVENT TOOK
PLACE, THE LESS
REAL IT SEEMS!



THEY'RE FITTING HIM WITH
ARMOR--THE SAME ARMOR
WE FOUND HIM IN!



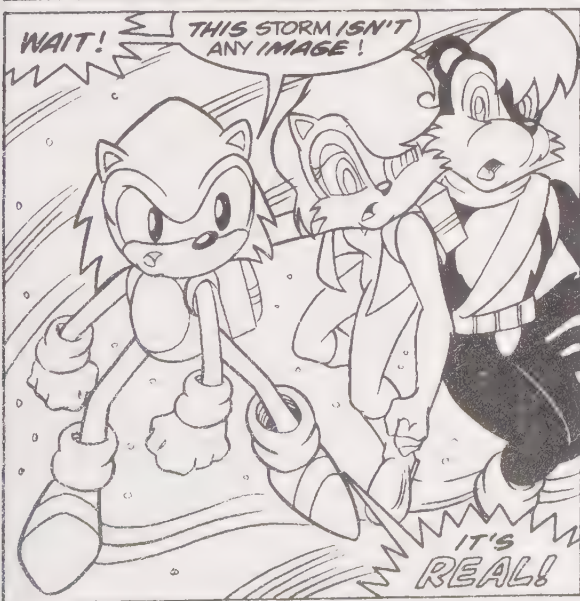
EVEN HERE,
HIS **REGAL**
BEARING SHOWS
THROUGH!

LOOK AT HOW
THEY **PRESENT**
HIM WITH HIS
HELMET!



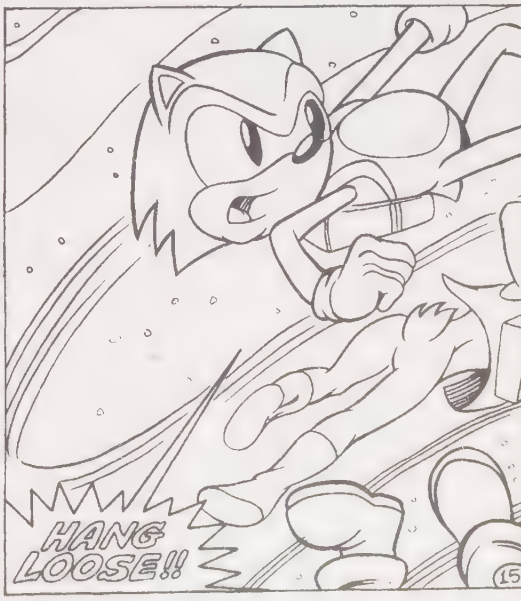
AND NOW
IT LOOKS LIKE
A **STORM** IS
COMING!

AND THERE'S
TH' KING--**LEADIN'**
'IS TROOPS'
SAFETY!

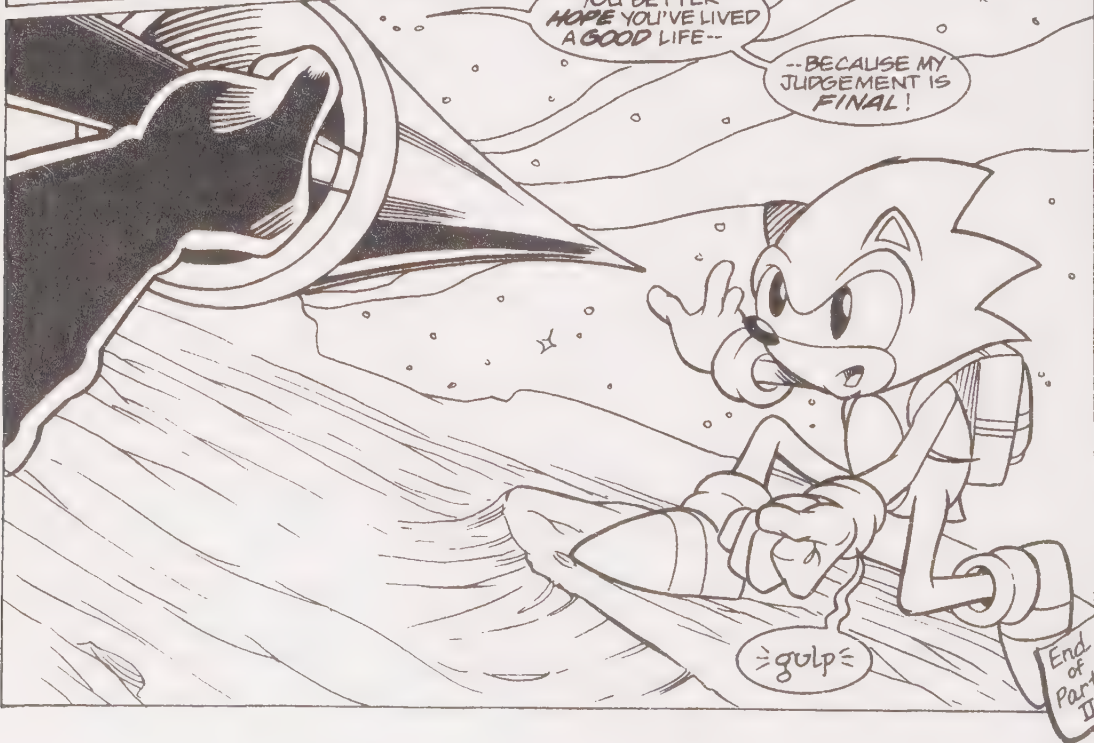
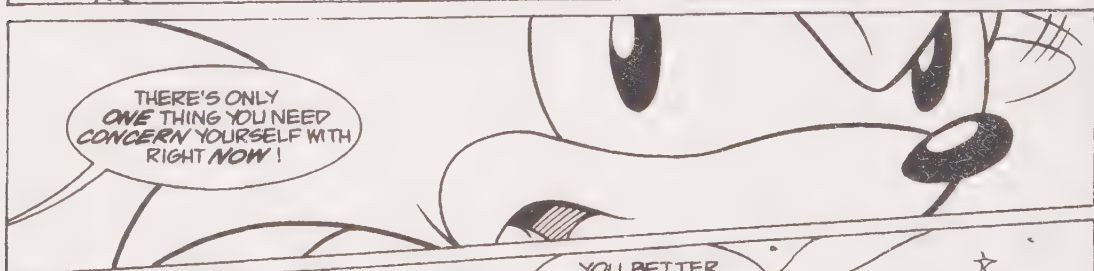
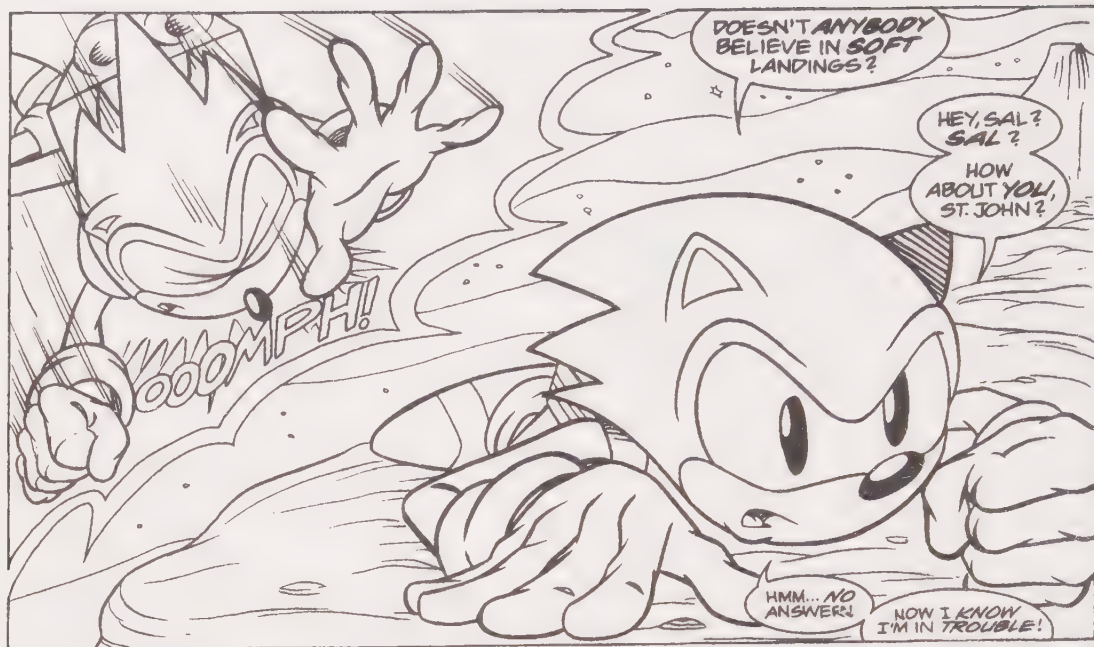


WAIT! **THIS STORM ISN'T**
ANY IMAGE!

IT'S
REAL!



HANG
LOOSE!!



THIS IS ONE TIME,

SONIC
THE
HEDGEHOG™

--WHERE YOU
CAN'T OUTPACE
YOUR FATE!

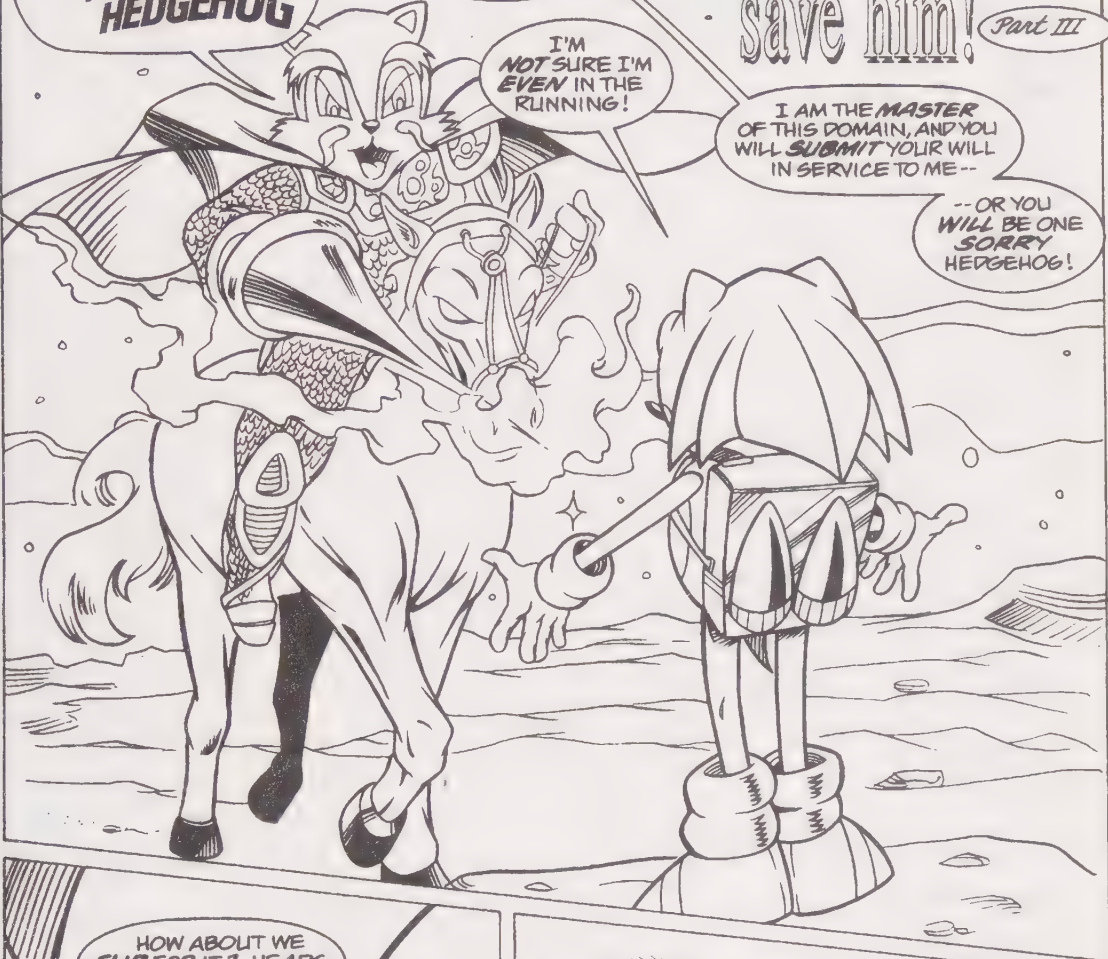
...and one shall
save him!

Part III

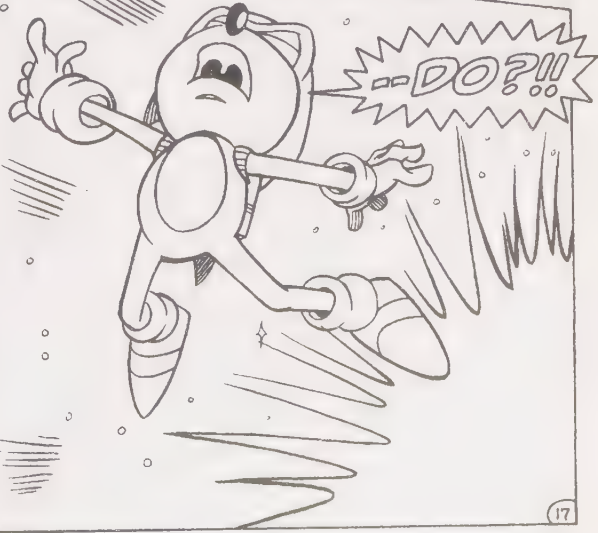
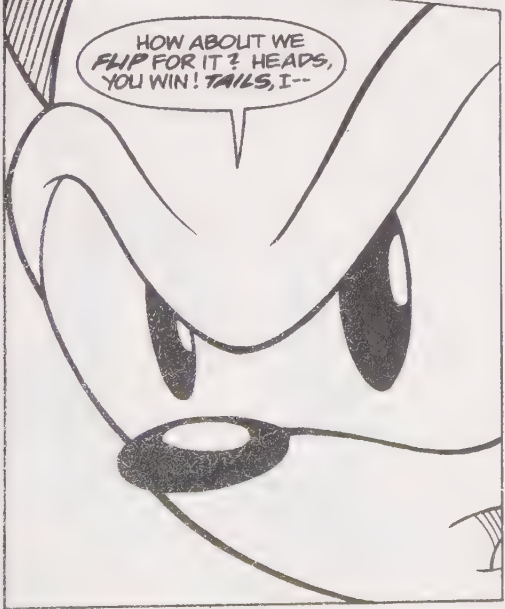
I'M
NOT SURE I'M
EVEN IN THE
RUNNING!

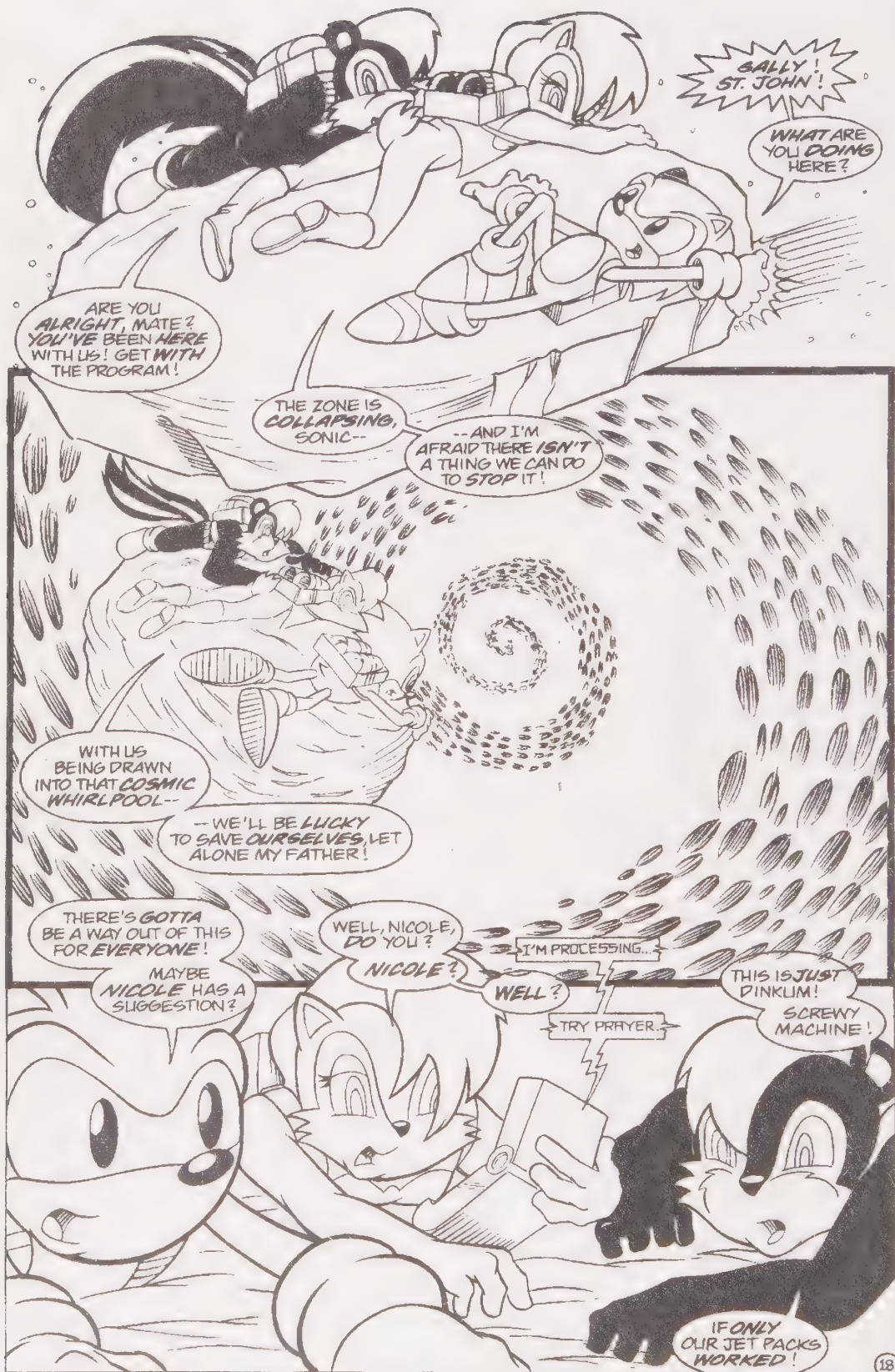
I AM THE MASTER
OF THIS DOMAIN, AND YOU
WILL SUBMIT YOUR WILL
IN SERVICE TO ME--

--OR YOU
WILL BE ONE
SORRY
HEDGEHOG!



HOW ABOUT WE
FLIP FOR IT? HEADS,
YOU WIN! TAILS, I--





SALLY!
ST. JOHN!

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
HERE?

ARE YOU
ALRIGHT, MATE?
YOU'VE BEEN HERE
WITH US! GET WITH
THE PROGRAM!

THE ZONE IS
COLLAPSING,
SONIC--

--AND I'M
AFRAID THERE ISN'T
A THING WE CAN DO
TO STOP IT!

WITH US
BEING DRAWN
INTO THAT COSMIC
WHIRLPOOL--

--WE'LL BE LUCKY
TO SAVE OURSELVES, LET
ALONE MY FATHER!

THERE'S GOTTA
BE A WAY OUT OF THIS
FOR EVERYONE!

MAYBE
NICOLE HAS A
SUGGESTION?

WELL, NICOLE,
DO YOU?

NICOLE?

I'M PROCESSING...

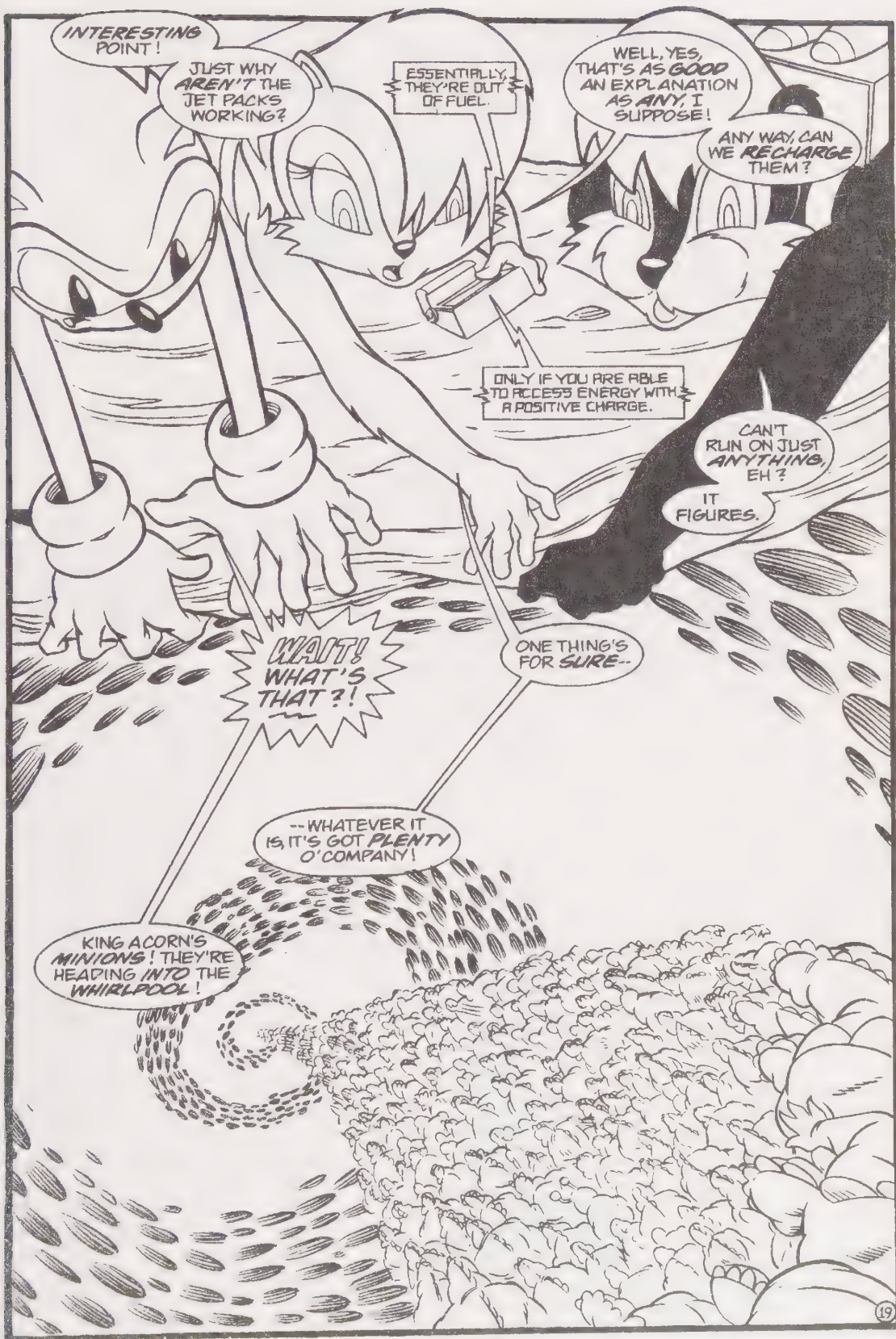
WELL?

TRY PRAYER

THIS IS JUST
DINKUM!

SCREWY
MACHINE!

IF ONLY
OUR JET PACKS
WORKED!



INTERESTING
POINT!

JUST WHY
AREN'T THE
JET PACKS
WORKING?

ESSENTIALLY,
THEY'RE OUT
OF FUEL.

WELL, YES,
THAT'S AS GOOD
AN EXPLANATION
AS ANY, I
SUPPOSE!

ANY WAY, CAN
WE RECHARGE
THEM?

ONLY IF YOU ARE ABLE
TO ACCESS ENERGY WITH
A POSITIVE CHARGE.

CAN'T
RUN ON JUST
ANYTHING,
EH?

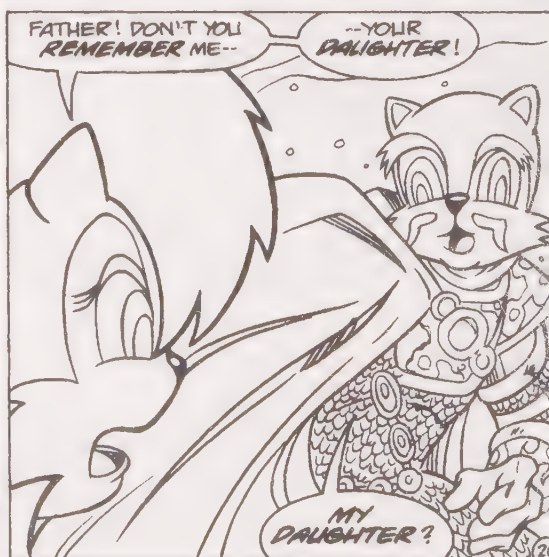
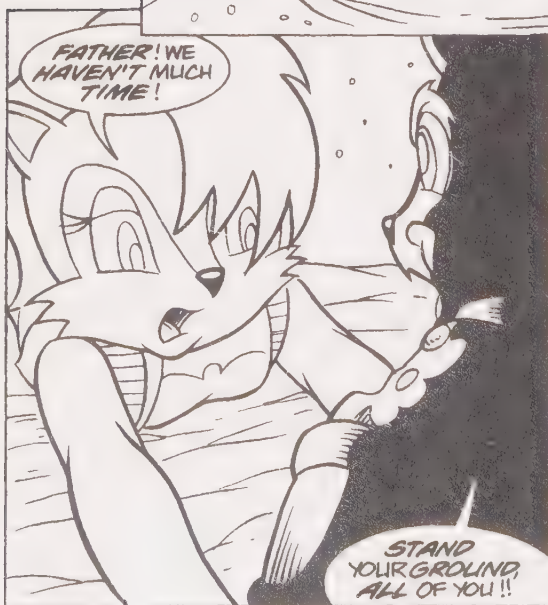
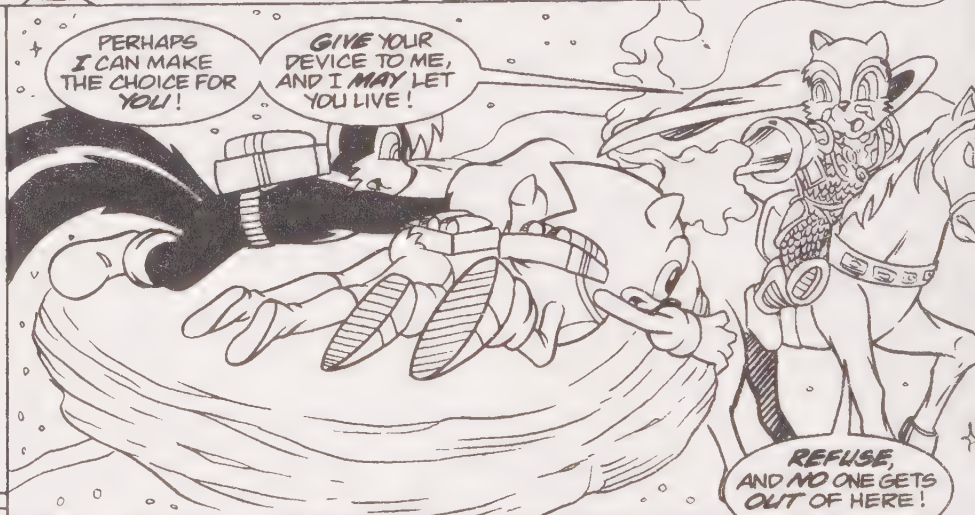
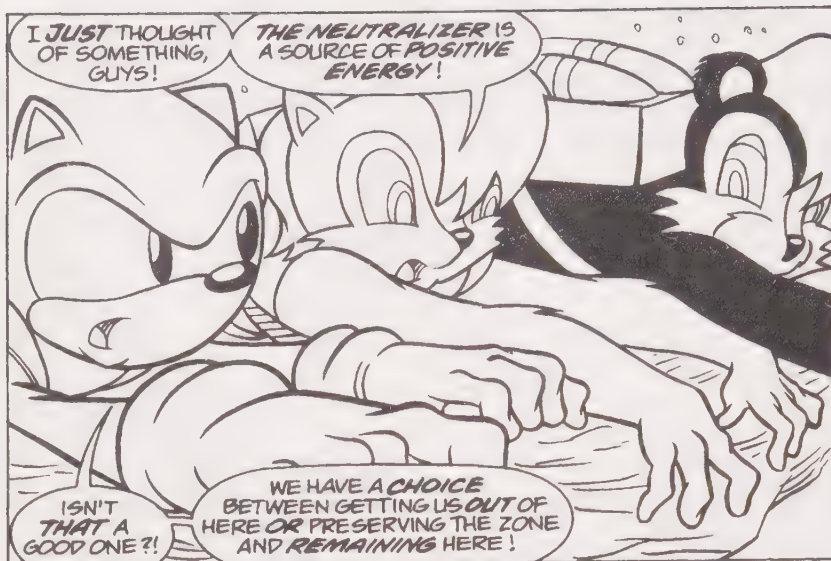
IT
FIGURES.

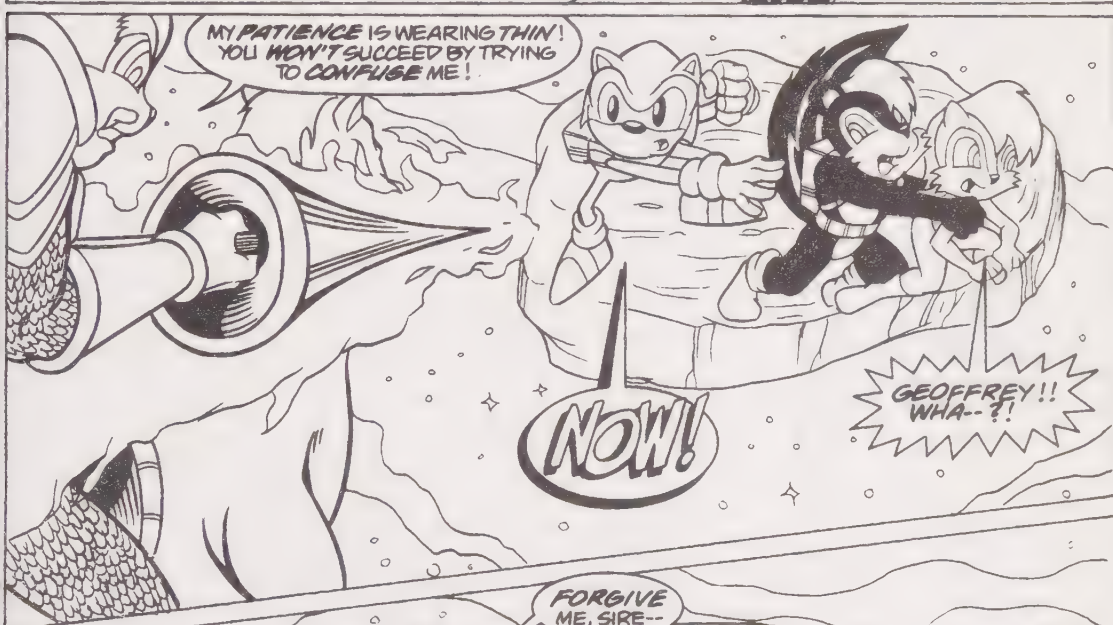
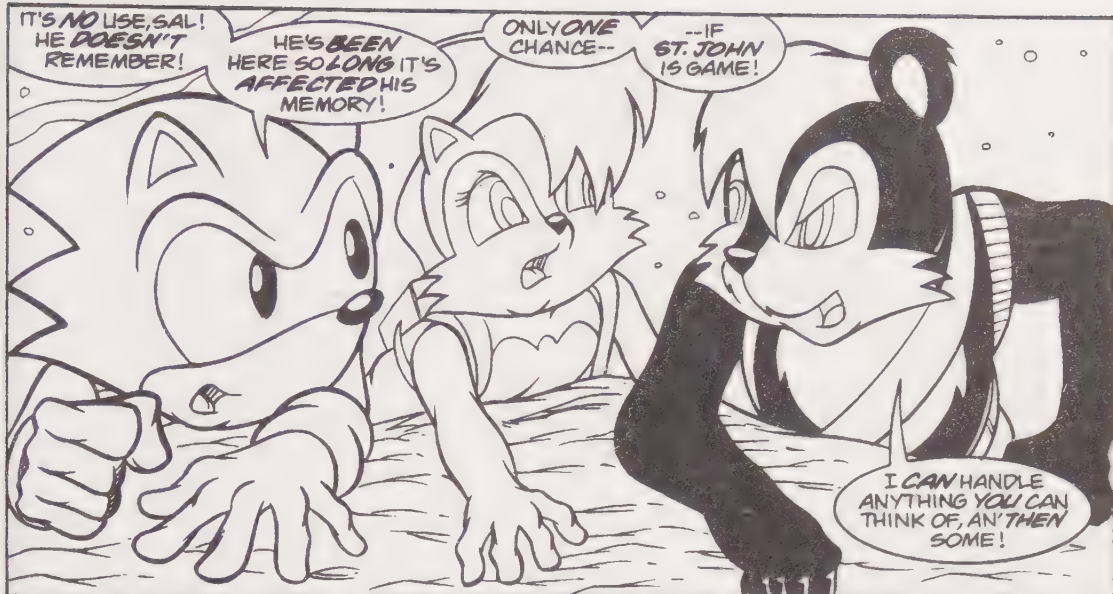
WAIT!
WHAT'S
THAT?!

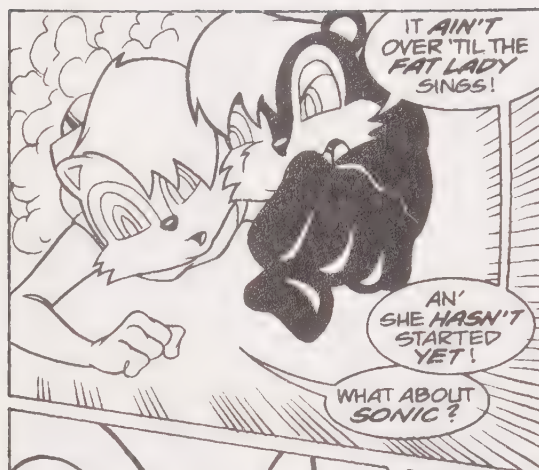
ONE THING'S
FOR SURE--

--WHATEVER IT
IS, IT'S GOT PLENTY
O' COMPANY!

KING ACORN'S
MINIONS! THEY'RE
HEADING INTO THE
WHIRLPOOL!



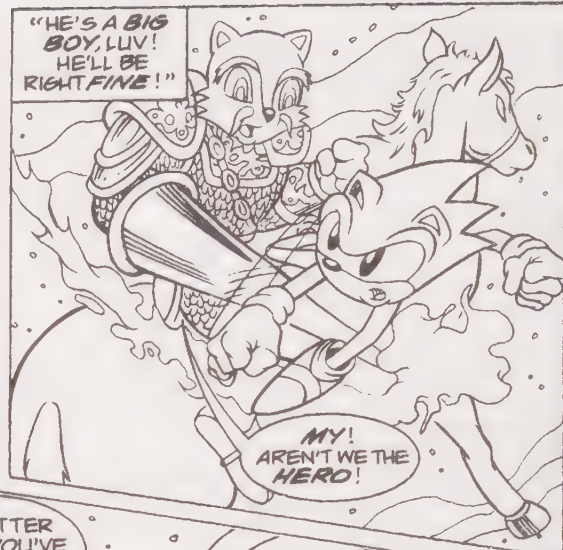




IT *AIN'T* OVER 'TIL THE *FAT LADY* SINGS!

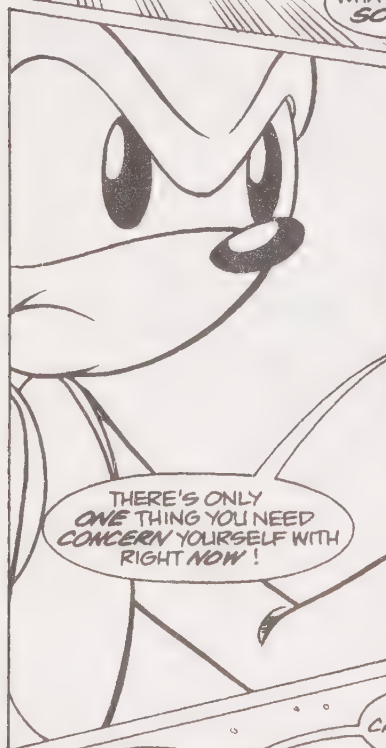
AN' SHE *HASN'T* STARTED YET!

WHAT ABOUT *SONIC*?

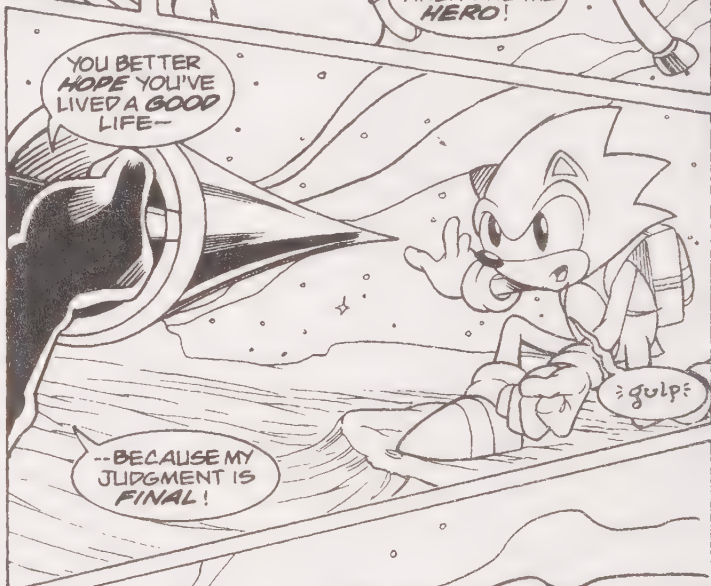


"HE'S A *BIG BOY*, LUV! HE'LL BE *RIGHT FINE*!"

MY! AREN'T WE THE *HERO*!

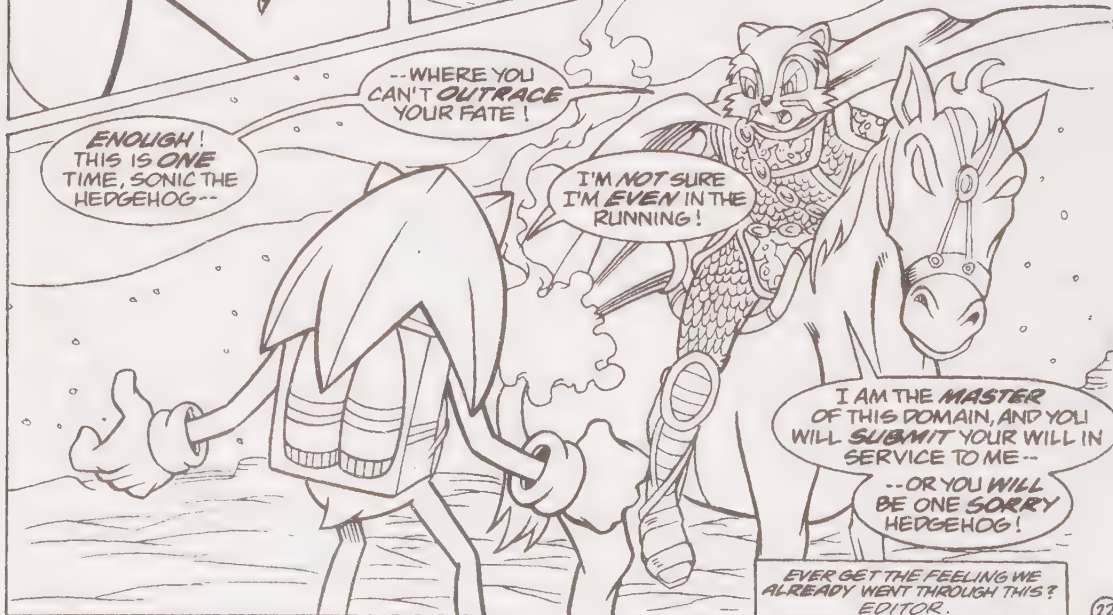


THERE'S ONLY *ONE* THING YOU NEED *CONCERN* YOURSELF WITH *RIGHT NOW*!



YOU BETTER *HOPE* YOU'VE LIVED A *GOOD* LIFE--

--BECAUSE MY *JUDGMENT* IS *FINAL*!



--WHERE YOU CAN'T *OUTRACE* YOUR FATE!

ENOUGH! THIS IS *ONE* TIME, SONIC THE *HEEDGEHOG*--

I'M *NOT* SURE I'M *EVEN* IN THE *RUNNING*!

I AM THE *MASTER* OF THIS *DOMAIN*, AND YOU WILL *SUBMIT* YOUR WILL IN *SERVICE* TO ME--

--OR YOU WILL BE ONE *SORRY* *HEEDGEHOG*!

EVER GET THE FEELING WE *ALREADY* WENT THROUGH THIS? *EDITOR*.

HOW ABOUT WE **FLIP**
FOR IT? HEADS, YOU
WIN! **TAILS**, I--

--JUICE LIKE
I NEVER HAVE
BEFORE!

I'LL TAKE
THAT!

--HE'S GOT
STYLE!

HE DOES
AT THAT!

I'LL SAY
THIS FOR 'IM,
PRINCESS--

HI-YO, **BLACK
BEAUTY!**

AWAY!

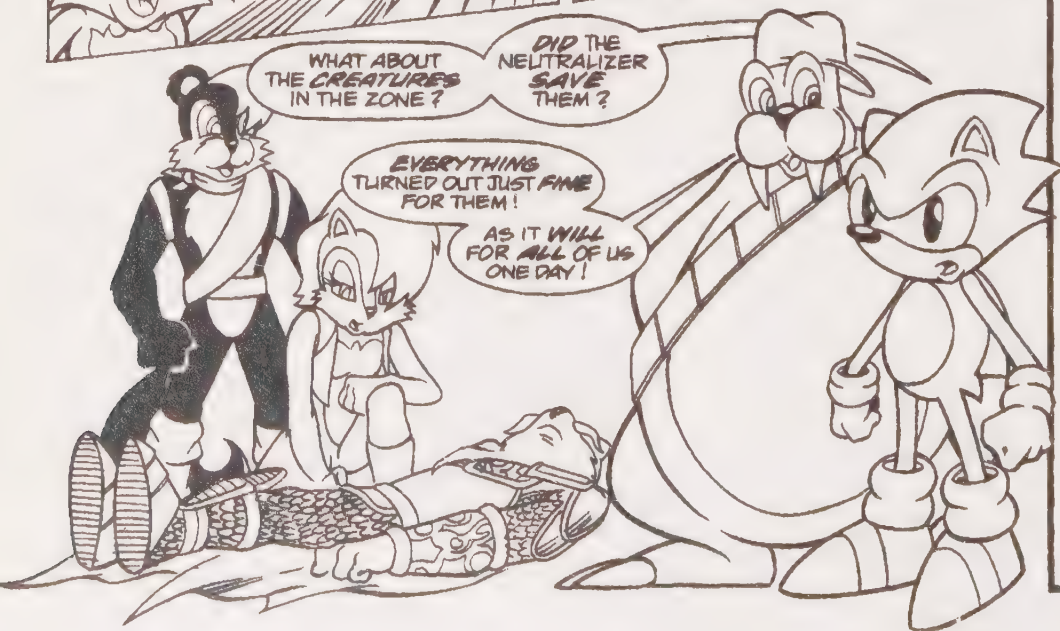
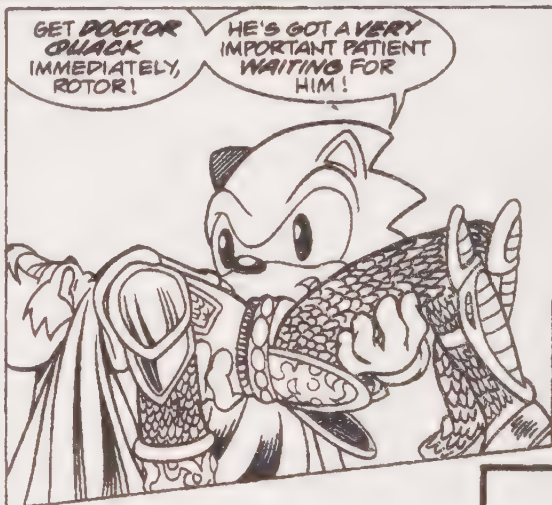
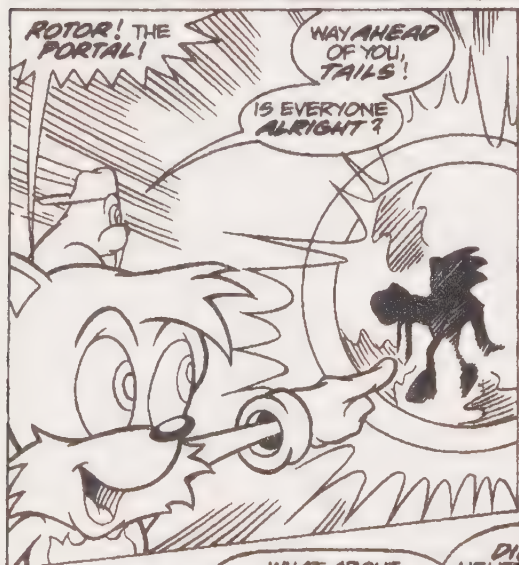
**ACTIVATE THE
NEUTRALIZER,
ST. JOHN!**

WE'VE A
UNIVERSE TO
SAVE!

ALL IN A
DAY'S WORK,
MATE!

**READY
OR NOT--**

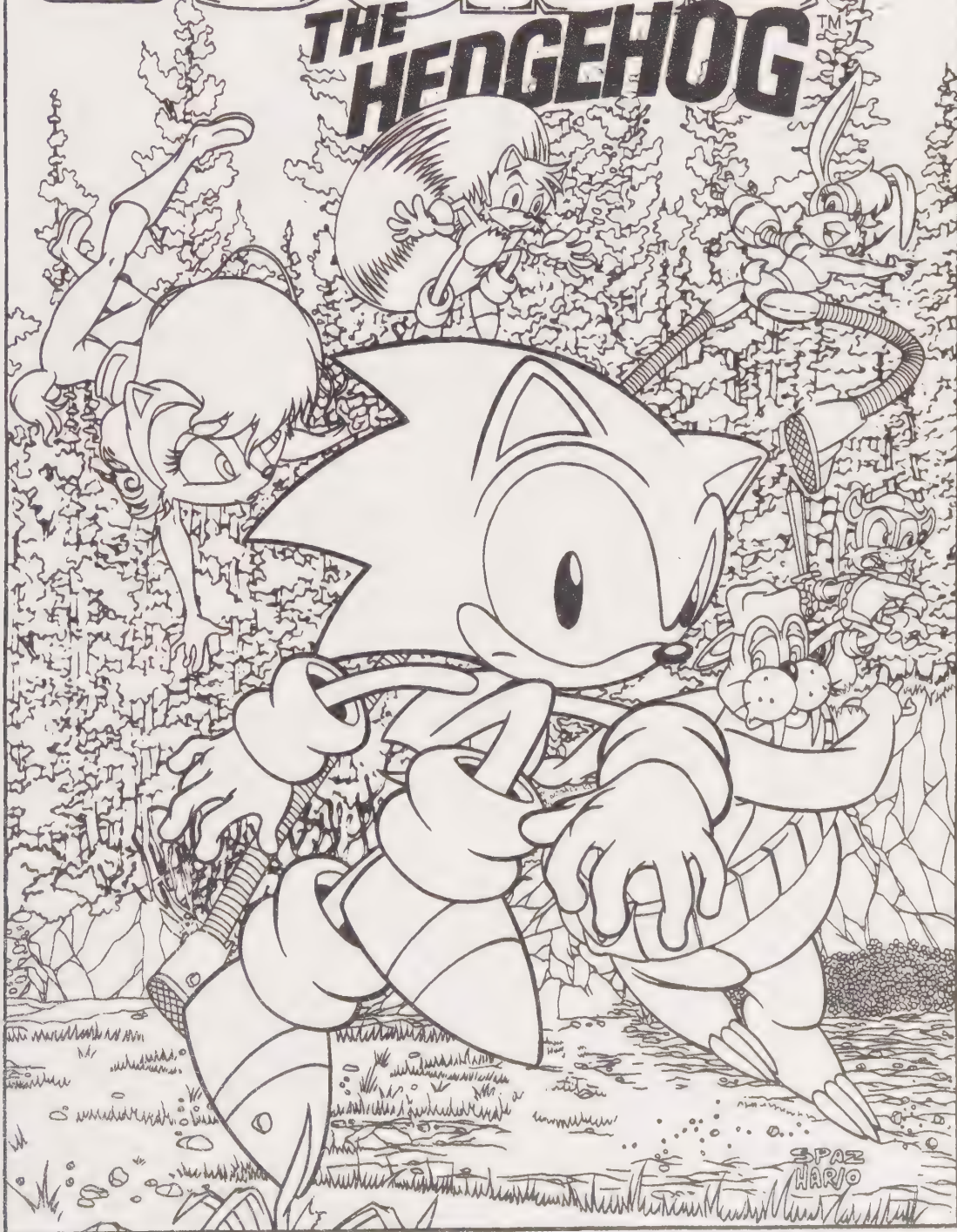
"--THIS ONE'S FOR ALL THE MARBLES!"



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THE HEDGEHOG



TYRANNY-- LIKE A DARK CLOUD IT SHADOWS A LAND, CAUSING THE VALIANT TO REBEL, CREATING WAR...

WAR-- ITS SOLDIERS ARE OFTEN CALLED **FREEDOM FIGHTERS**, WHO ARE SOMETIMES DRIVEN TO DESPERATE ACTS, EVEN AGAINST THOSE WHO HAVE ATTEMPTED NEUTRALITY...

NEUTRALITY-- A POSITION IN WAR THE FABLED **FLOATING ISLAND** HAS BEEN UNABLE TO MAINTAIN AS ITS NATIVES LOOK FOR HOPE FROM ITS **GUARDIAN**...

GUARDIAN-- THE ONE BEING THEY DEPEND ON TO PROTECT THEM FROM THE DESPERATE ACTS OF THOSE IN SEARCH OF **FREEDOM** AND THEIR WAR'S INVASION...

INVASION-- SOMETHING **KNUCKLES** THE **ECHIDNA** NEVER THOUGHT HE WOULD HAVE TO CONTEND WITH FROM THE LIKES OF **SONIC THE HEDGEHOG**!

ARE YOU CRAZY--BARGING IN HERE AND DEMANDING I FORK OVER MY **CHAOS EMERALD** ?!

WITHOUT IT, MY **ISLAND** WILL FALL!

I'VE GOTTA HAVE IT -- THE FATE OF **MOBIUS** DEPENDS ON IT!

"IN EVERY KINGDOM THERE MUST EXIST A LITTLE **CHAOS**!"

PART 1

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ROBOTNIK JUST TRIED TO
SINK MY ISLAND*-- NOW YOU
WANT TO FINISH THE JOB?!

THAT GROTTO'S ON WHAT
USED TO BE ROYAL REAL ESTATE
AND BY RIGHTS IT BELONGS TO KING
ACORN'S FREEDOM FIGHTERS!

BRACK!

KRAK!

OFF! NO, BUT
DURING THAT BATTLE
I LEARNED YOU HAD
A SPARE EMERALD WHICH
YOU STOLE FROM THE
POWER RING GROTTO!**

UGH! SEZ YOU! I
NEED THAT EXTRA EMERALD
FOR "HOME OWNER'S INSURANCE"
AND I WON'T GIVE IT UP!

*NO, YOU DIDN'T MISS A THING, FANS. READ
THE SONICQUEST LIMITED SERIES FOR THE
LOWDOWN. ON SALE NOW!--EDITOR X1

* SUPER SONIC VS. HYPER KNUCKLES#1-EDITOR X2

SONIC!
KNUCKLES! STOP!
THIS WON'T SAVE
KING ACORN'S
LIFE!

WHAT'S
HE MEAN?
THE KING'S
IMPRISONED!

NOT ANY
MORE! WE
FINALLY RESCUED
HIM FROM THE
ZONE OF
SILENCE!****

THEN
WHAT'S THIS
ABOUT SAVING
HIS LIFE?

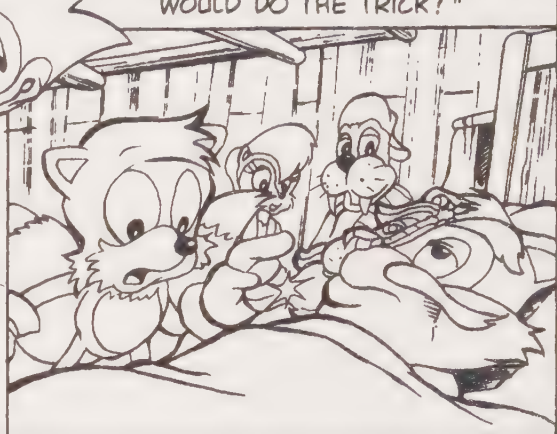
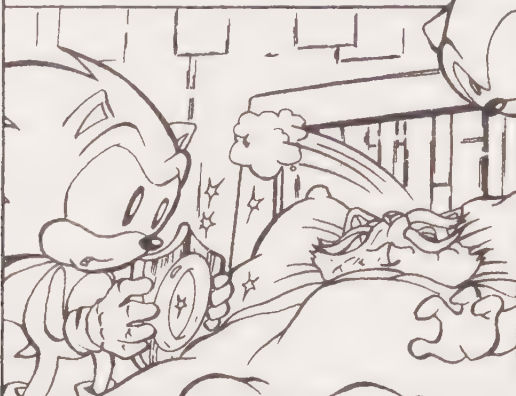
SOME UNKNOWN
SIDE EFFECT OF
HIS IMPRISONMENT
IS TURNING HIS
BODY INTO
CRYSTAL!****

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"TOO MANY FOOT-
NOTES EDITOR"! 2

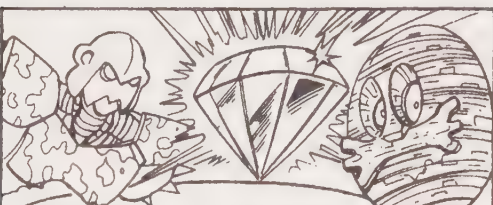
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"WE TRIED TO USE A *POWER RING* TO RESTORE HIS HEALTH, BUT IT FAILED!*"

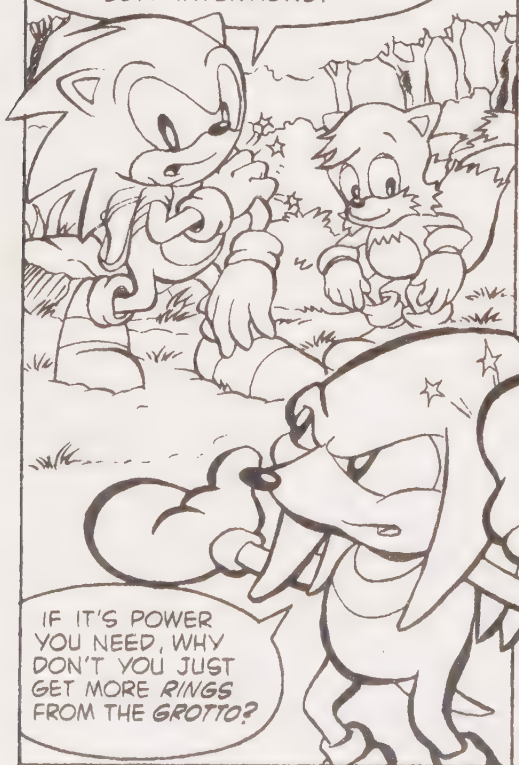
"AND WHEN TAILS SAID HE LOOKED LIKE A *CHAOS EMERALD** I FIGURED MAYBE A REAL ONE WOULD DO THE TRICK!"



* SONICQUEST #1 -- EDITOR



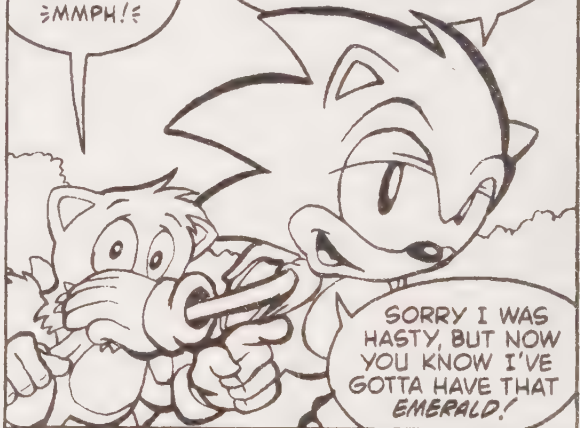
BESIDES, THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS COULD USE ITS *POWER* AGAINST BUTTNIK'S NEW KICK-BUTT INVENTIONS!



IF IT'S *POWER* YOU NEED, WHY DON'T YOU JUST GET MORE *RINGS* FROM THE *GROTTO*?

WE GOT THE ONES ROBOTNIK--
=MMPH!?

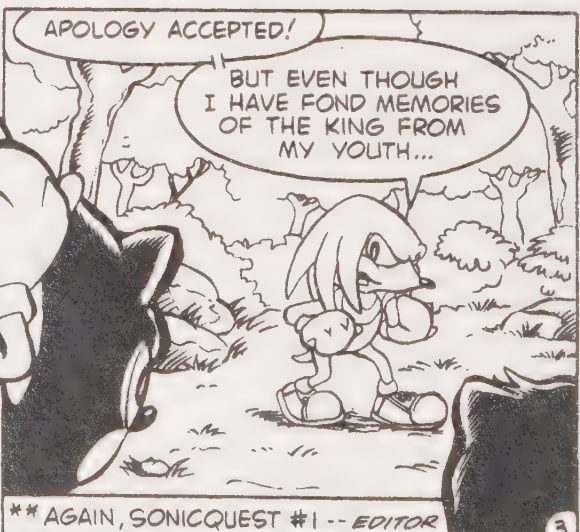
WHAT HE MEANS IS WE TRIED, BUT BUTTNIK** SUCKED IT DRY!



SORRY I WAS HASTY, BUT NOW YOU KNOW I'VE GOTTA HAVE THAT *EMERALD*!

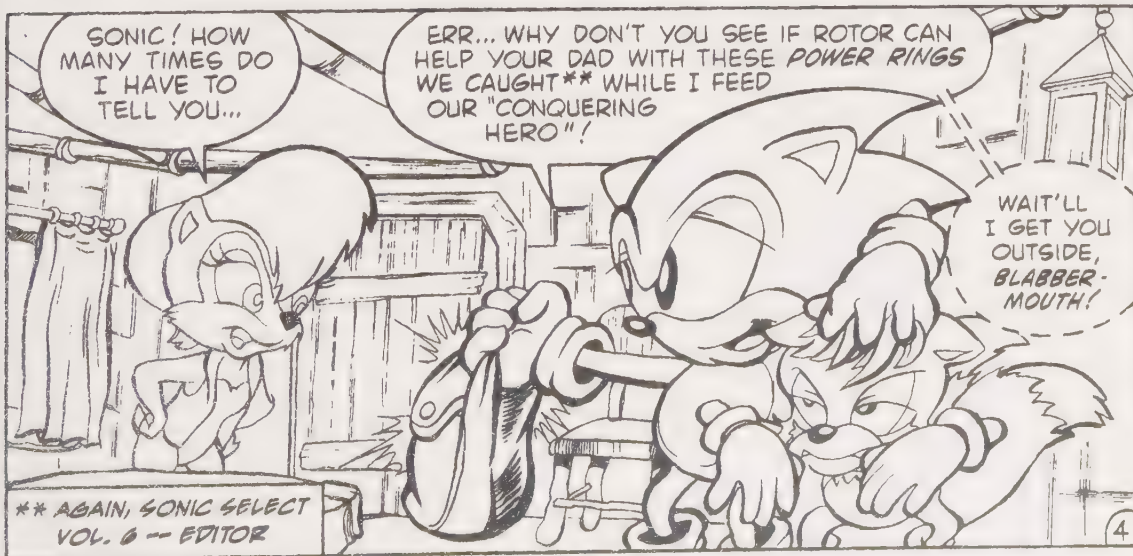
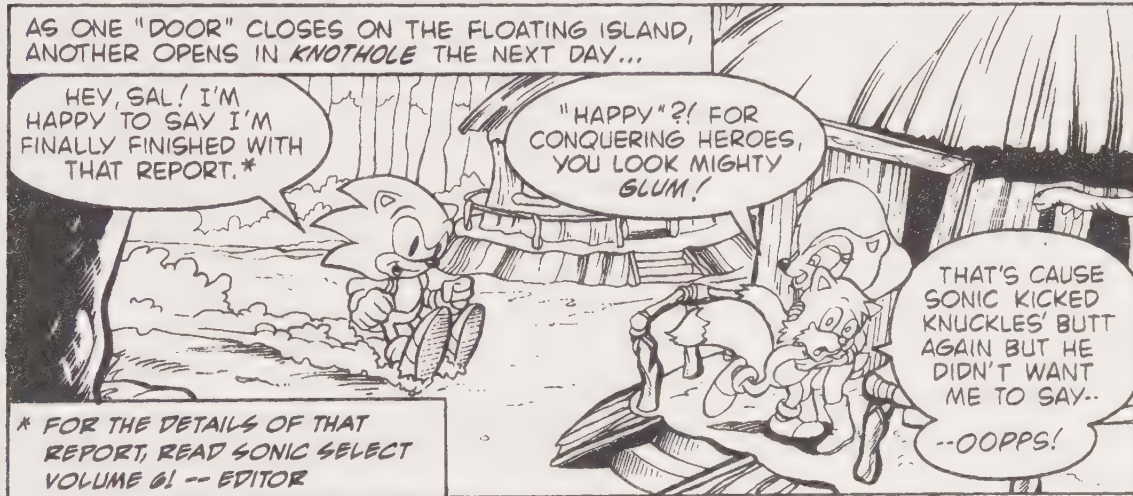
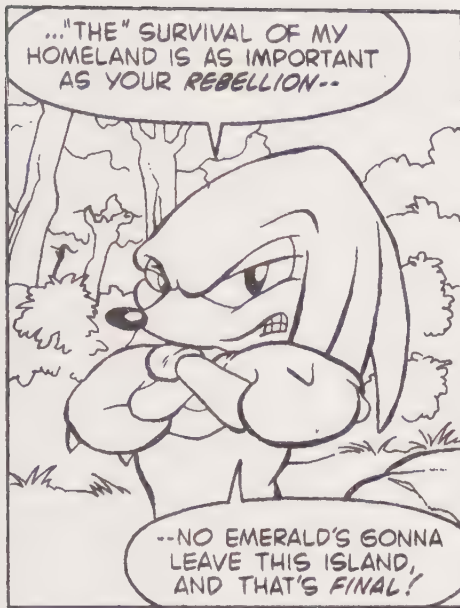
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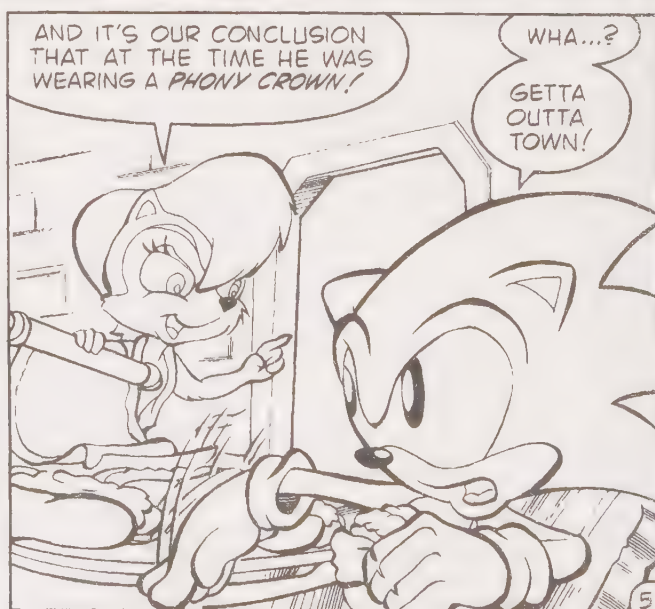
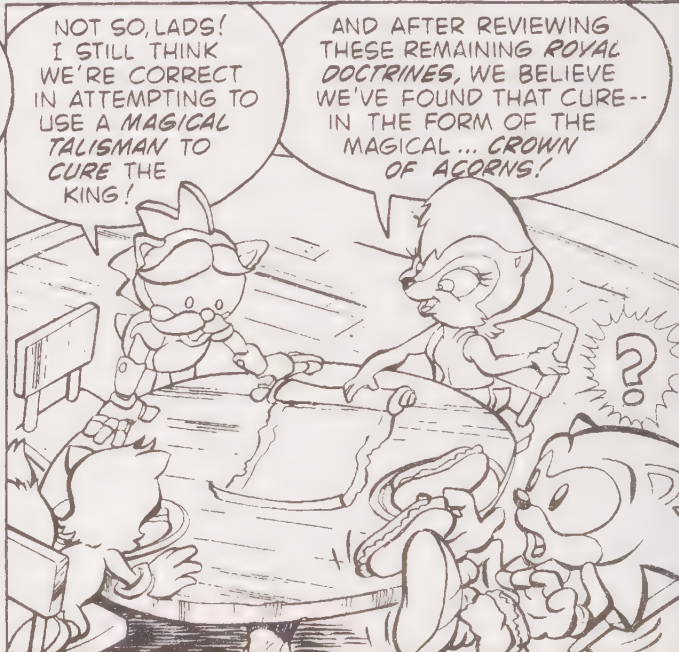
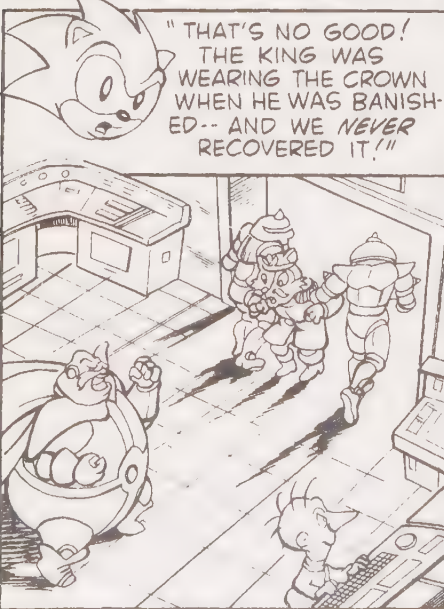
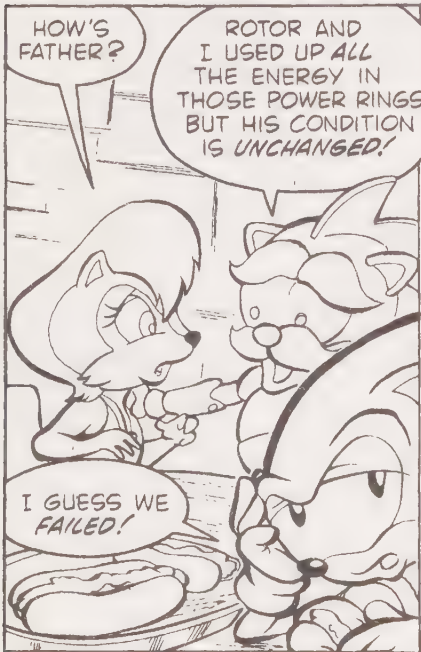
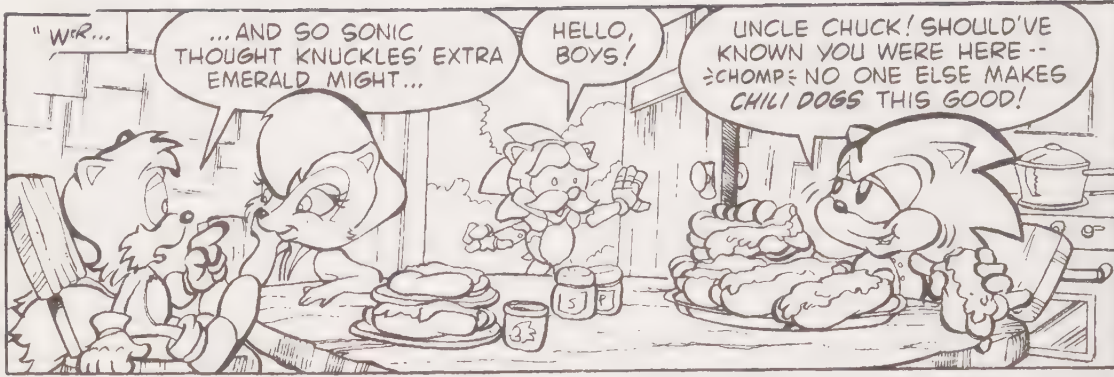
BUT EVEN THOUGH I HAVE FOND MEMORIES OF THE KING FROM MY YOUTH...



** AGAIN, SONICQUEST #1 -- EDITOR

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OH, YEAH?
READ THIS...

HOUSE OF ACORN

IT IS THE SWORN DUTY OF ANY SOVEREIGN TO PROTECT THE CROWN OF ACORNS AT ALL COSTS, FOR IT IS THIS ANCIENT TALISMAN OF POWER THAT MAY BE THE KINGDOM'S ONLY DEFENSE IN ITS DARKEST HOUR. SHOULD THE REIGNING SOVEREIGN BE IN DANGER OF CAPTURE OR PERIL OF HIS LIFE, HE MUST ENSURE THE CROWN'S USE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS, LEST THE HOUSE OF ACORN FALL BEYOND SALVATION. AS PER THIS ROYAL DOCTRINE, THE CROWN MUST BE TRANSPORTED TO A MAGICAL DIMENSION FOR SAFEKEEPING KNOWN AS ...

...THE HALL
OF JIM-BO!

THAT'S "LIMBO"
DUMB-O! GREAT?

GREAT! ALL WE HAVE
TO DO IS ENTER THIS LIMBO
AND, ER... HOW DO
YOU GET THERE,
ANYWAY?

THE DOCTRINES
DON'T SAY, BUT
ONCE AGAIN I
THINK OUR ANSWER
CAN BE FOUND
WITH MAGIC--THE
MAGIC OF POWER
RINGS!

REMEMBER, SONIC-- POWER
RINGS CAN GRANT KNOWLEDGE
AS WELL AS POWER, KNOWLEDGE
THAT MAY HELP US FIND THE
MISSING CROWN!

YOU
DON'T
SAY!

IT'S TIME FOR ME
TO GET BACK TO MY
"UNDERCOVER JOB" IN
ROBOTROPOLIS BEFORE
I'M MISSED!

AND IT'S TIME
FOR US TO PREPARE
FOR OUR MISSION--
COME DOWN, WE'RE
GOING TO THE LAKE OF
RINGS AND BEGIN
OPERATION: SAVE
THE KING!

END OF PART 1

"IN EVERY KINGDOM THERE MUST EXIST A LITTLE CHAOS!"

PART 2

WELL, YOU KNOW
ITS EXISTENCE IS
SUPPOSED TO BE A *SECRET*
FROM EVERYONE BUT UNCLE
CHUCK AND THE *CORE*
FREEDOM FIGHTERS...

... BUT WE'RE WORRIED
THAT THOSE COMBOTS MAY
HAVE TRANSMITTED ITS LOCATION
TO BUTTNIK AFTER
AMBUSHING US!*

*SONIC # 38 -- EDITOR

THE SPY NETWORK**
SHOULD KNOW
THE SCORE...

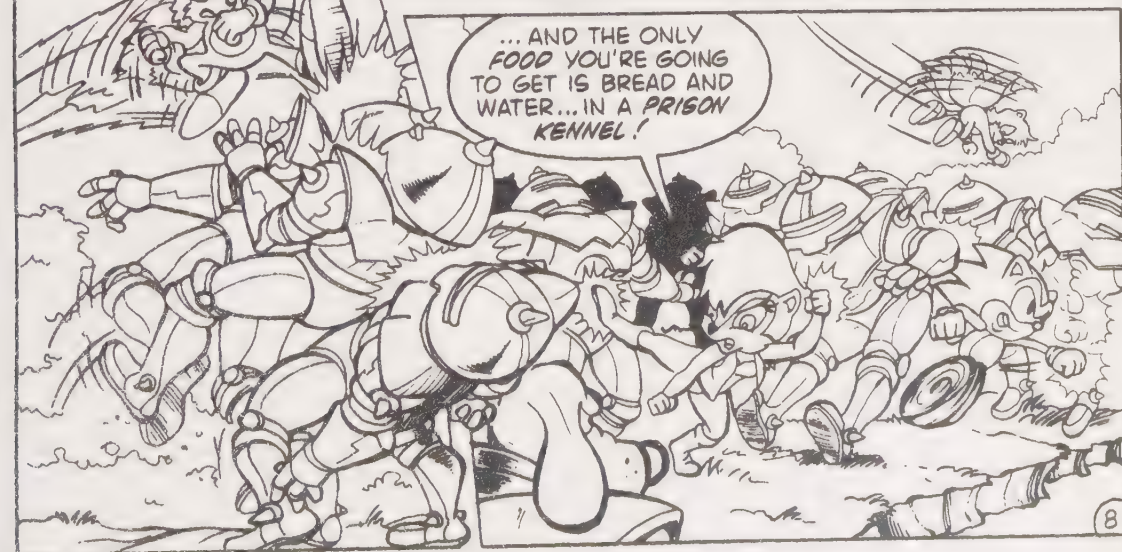
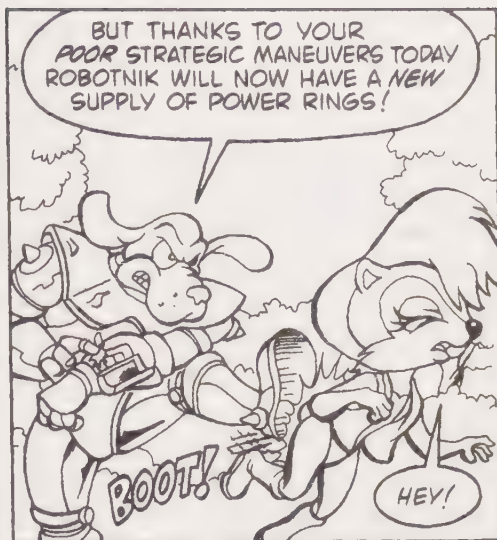
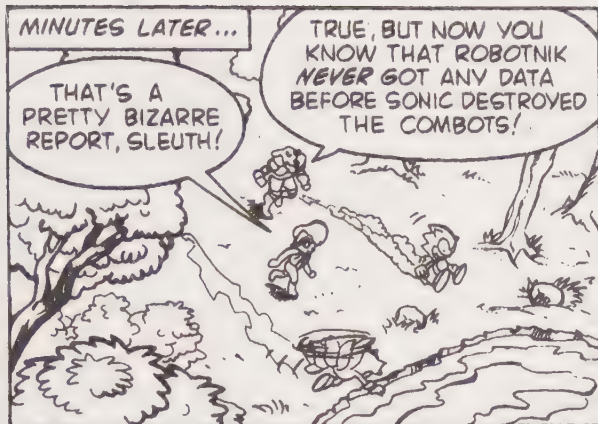
...PROVIDING
FRED EVER
GETS HERE...
÷ WHOA ÷
SLEUTH!
WHAT'RE
YOU DOING
HERE?

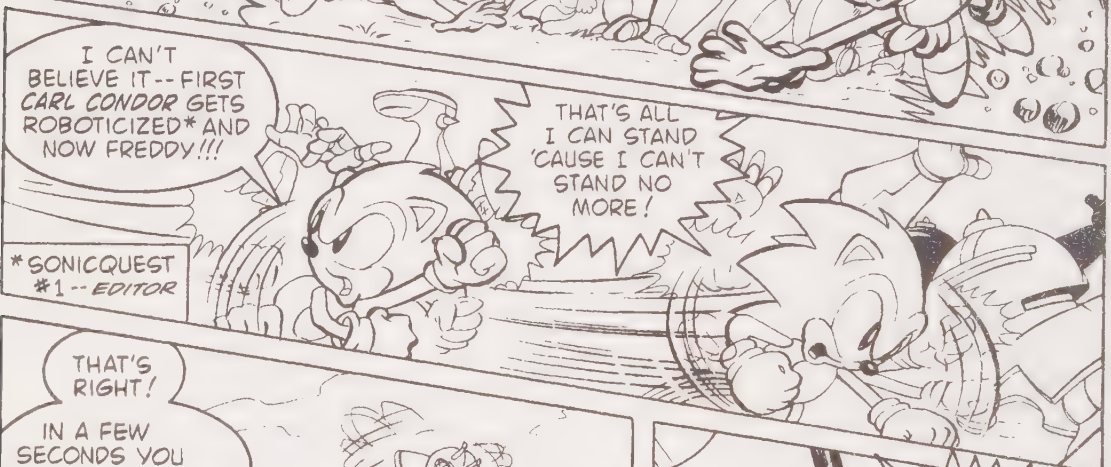
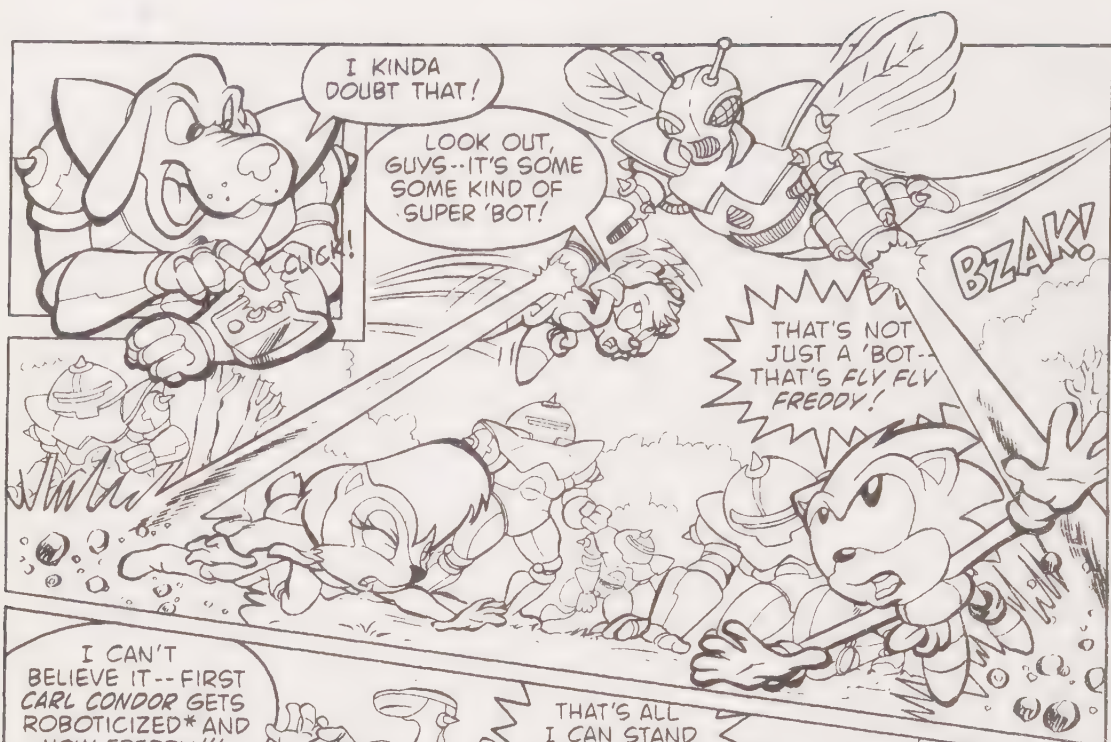
SORRY TO
STARTLE YOU!
FRED'S COVER WAS
ALMOST **BLOWN**, BUT
I WAS ABLE TO
LEAVE ROBOTROPOLIS
SAFELY!

**LAST SEEN IN SONIC#38 -EDITOR

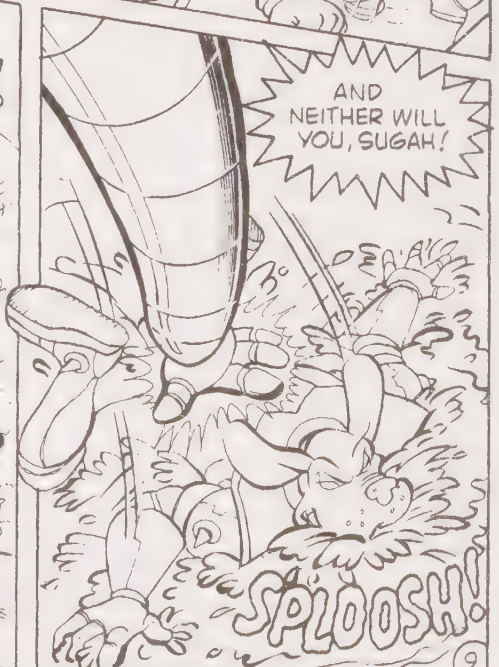
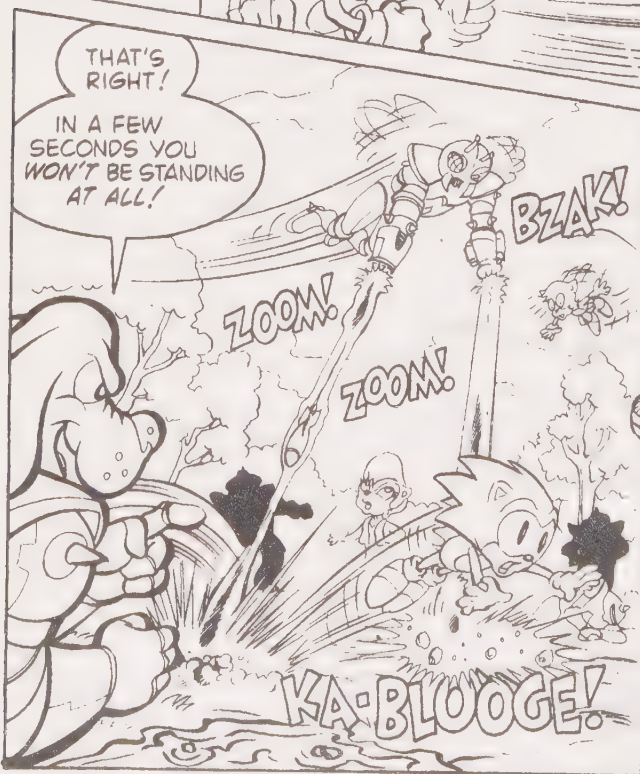
THIS ISN'T
STANDARD
PROCEDURE,
SOLDIER!

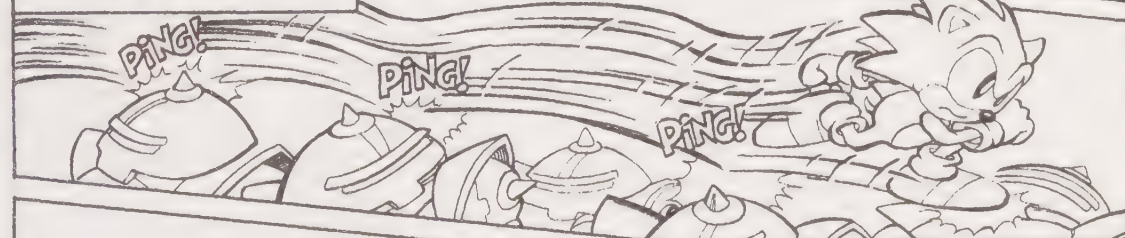
TOO TRUE, SAL!
BUT SINCE WE'RE
ALREADY **BEHIND**
SCHEDULE, I THINK
WE CAN TRUST HIM
WITH ITS LOCATION!



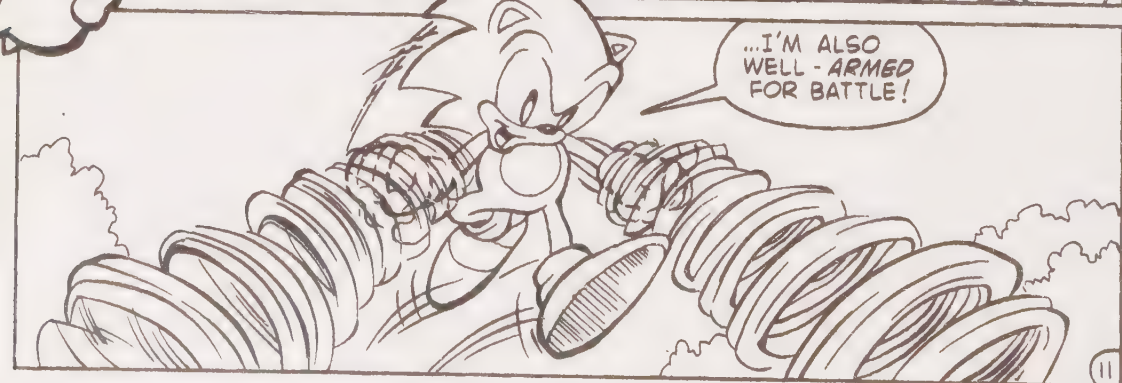
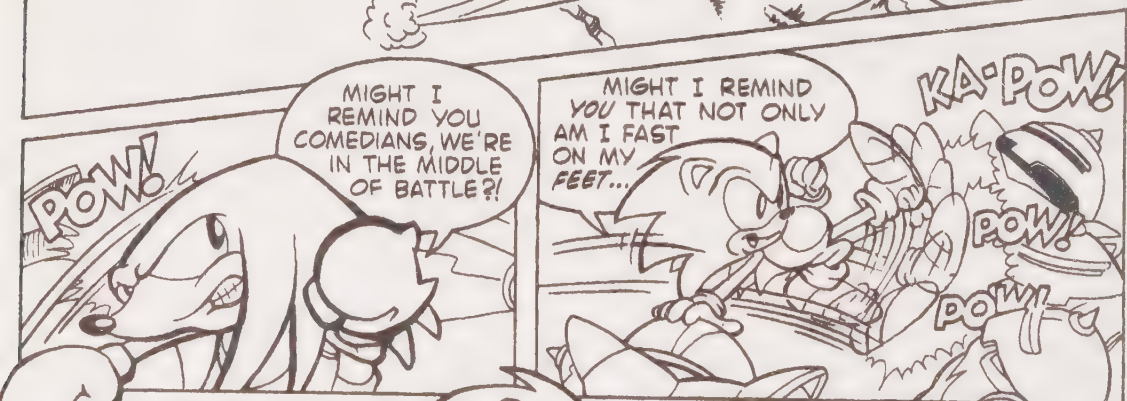
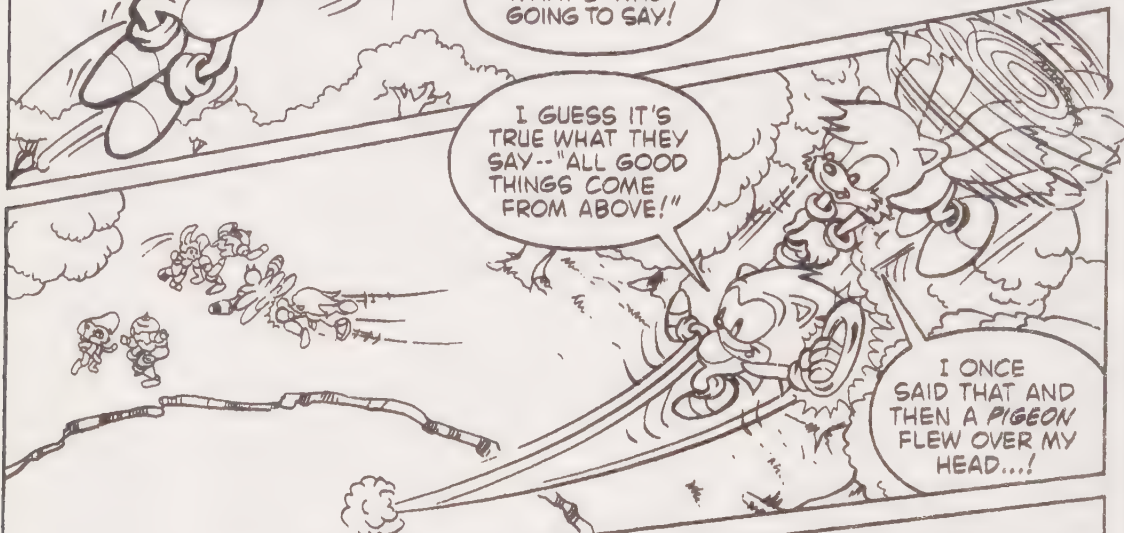
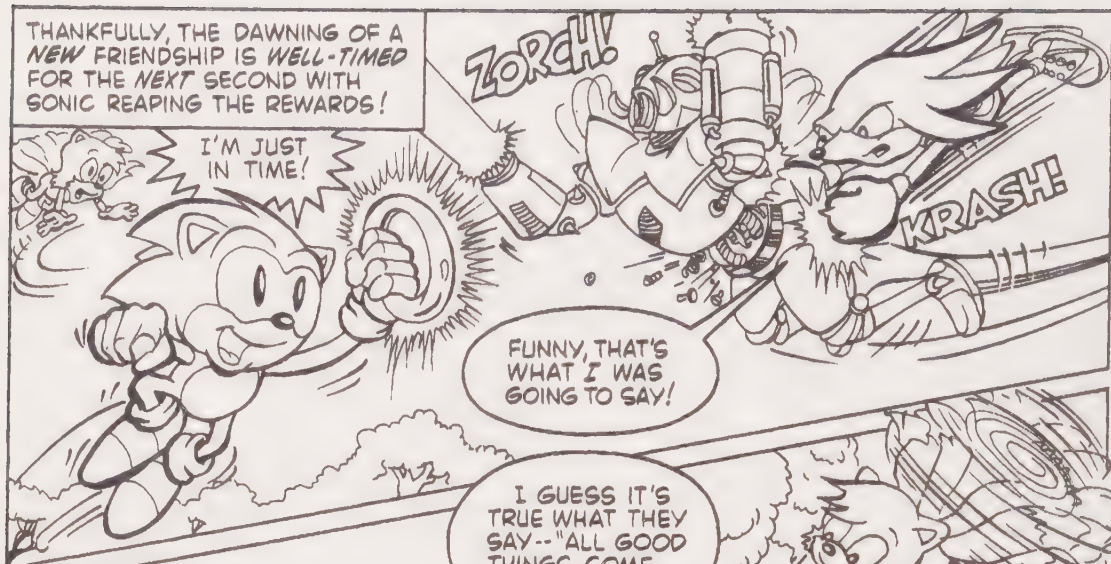


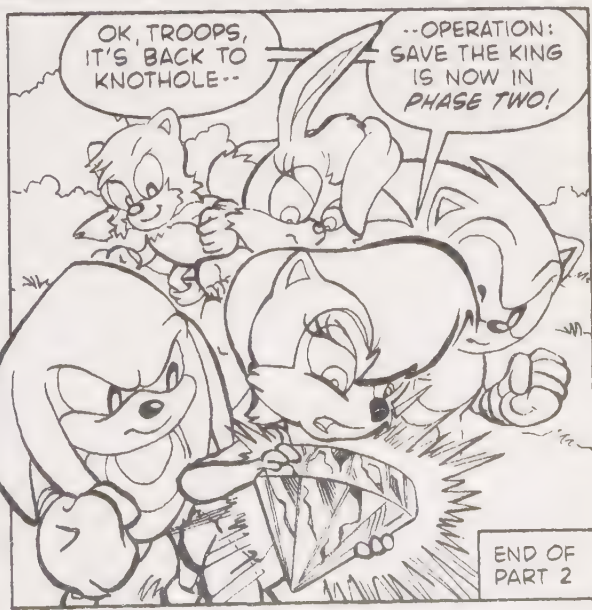
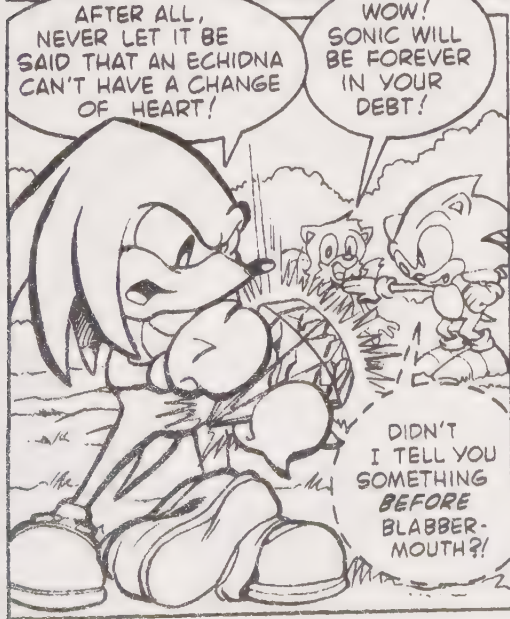
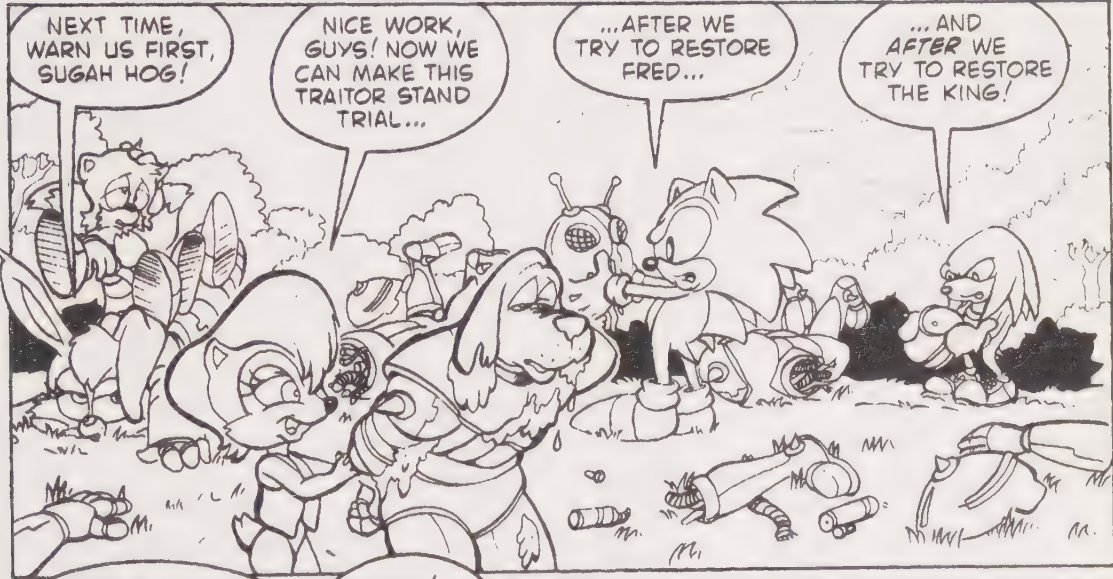
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THANKFULLY, THE DAWNING OF A
NEW FRIENDSHIP IS WELL-TIMED
FOR THE NEXT SECOND WITH
SONIC REAPING THE REWARDS!





END OF PART 2

SO THIS IS
WHAT'S LEFT OF
THE ONCE BEAUTIFUL
KINGDOM OF ACORN?
WAR SURE LEAVES
ITS SCARS!

I'LL GIVE
YOU THE NICKEL
TOUR LATER!

RIGHT NOW
I WANT TO KNOW
WHAT BROUGHT
YOU HERE?

"IN EVERY
KINGDOM THERE
MUST EXIST A
LITTLE CHAOS!"

PART 3

THAT WAS MY
DOING, SONIC!

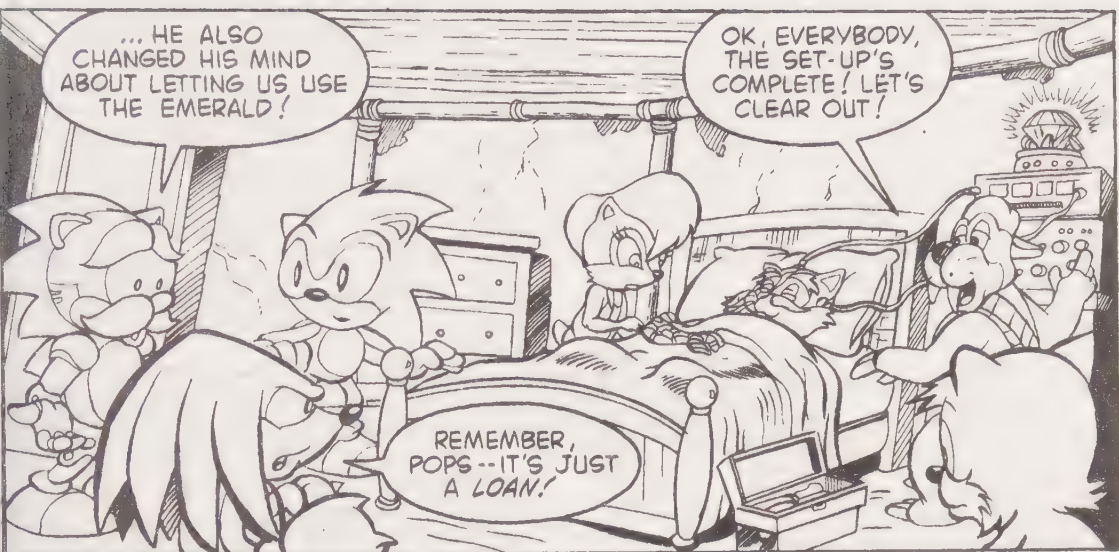
"FOR SOME TIME I'VE
SUSPECTED THERE MAY BE
A **DOUBLE AGENT** IN OUR
SPY NETWORK...

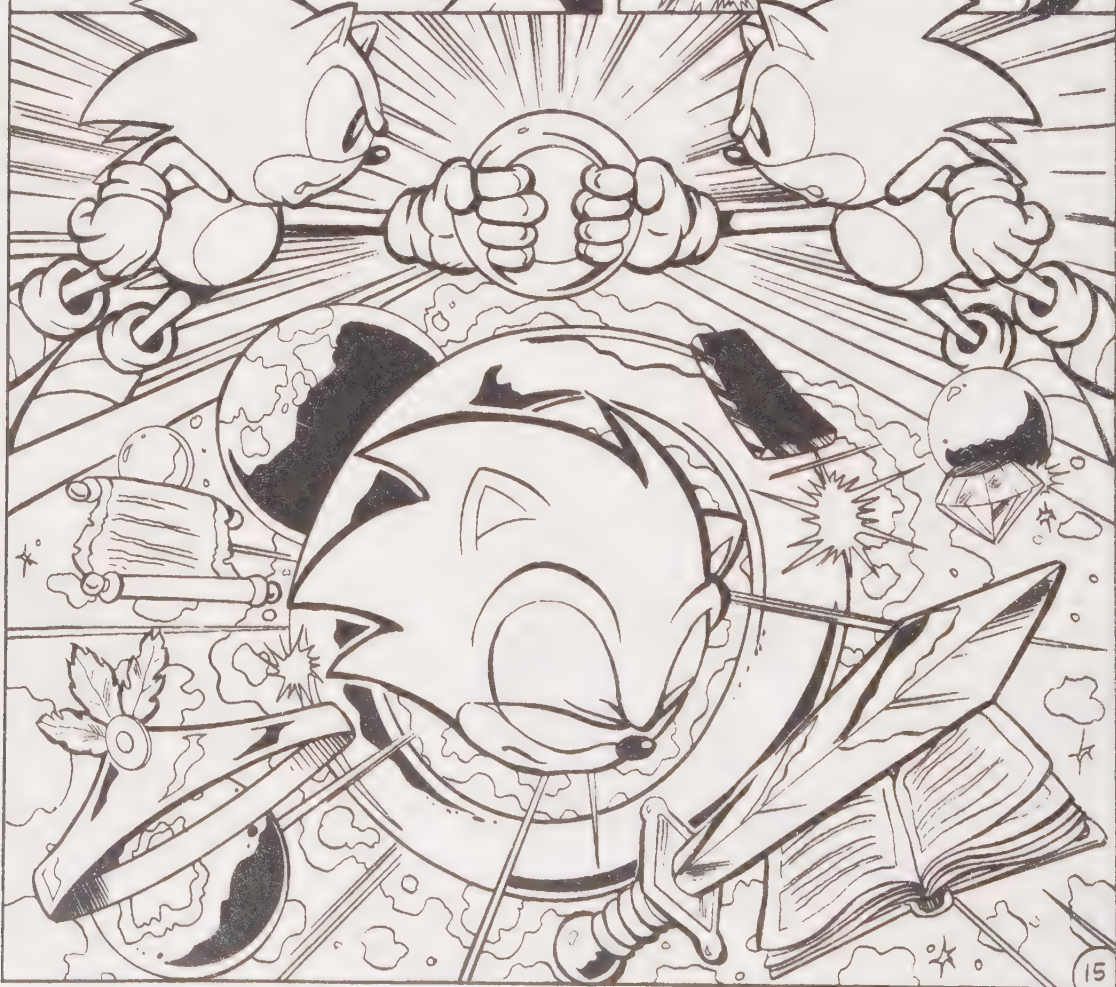
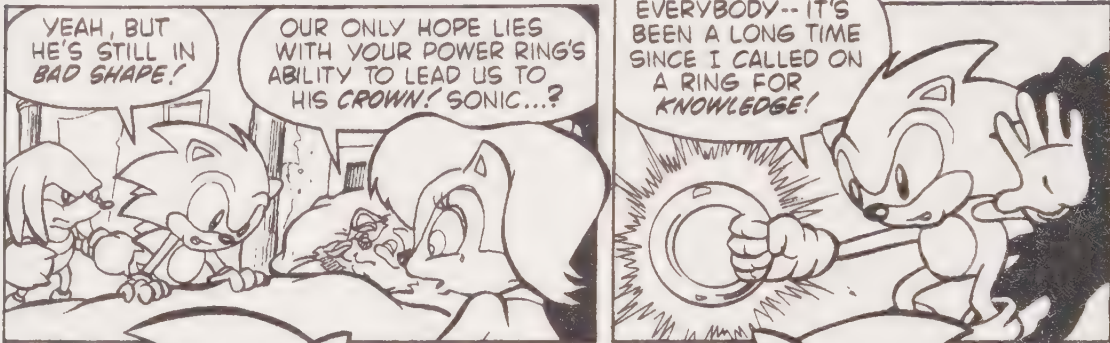
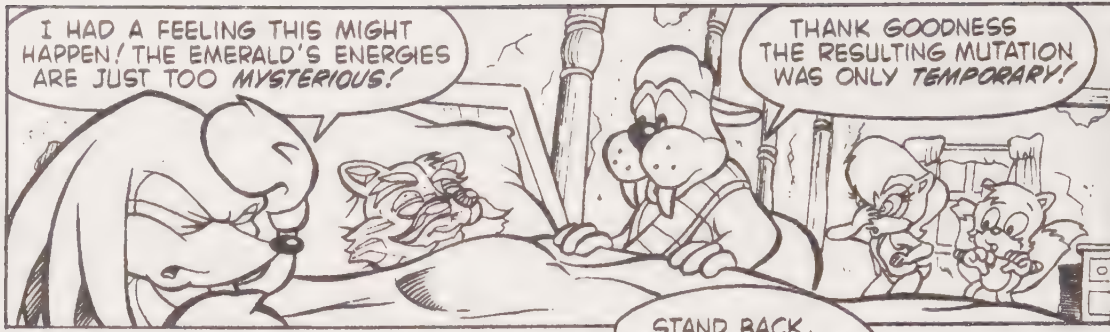
"... AND MY FEARS WERE CONFIRMED WHEN
FRED FAILED TO REPORT FOR ORDERS...

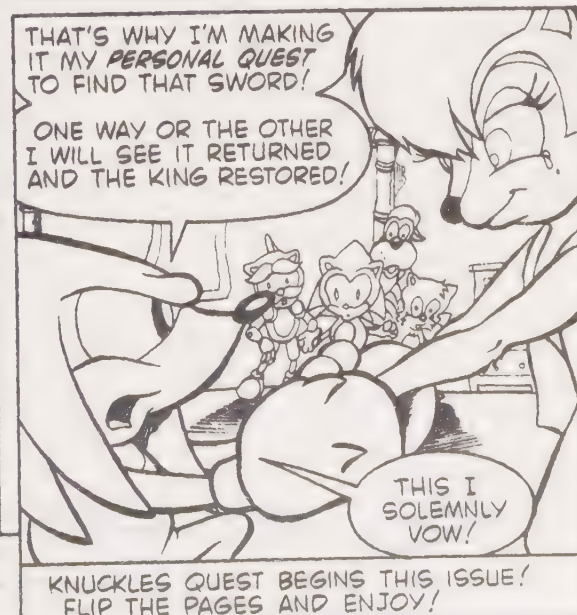
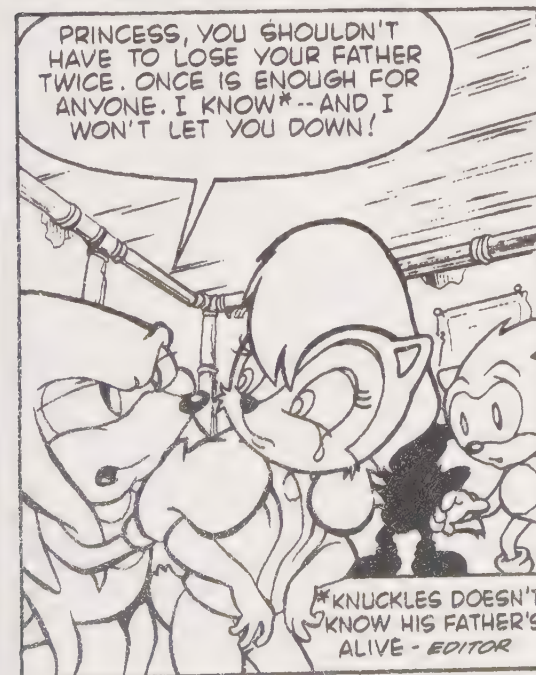
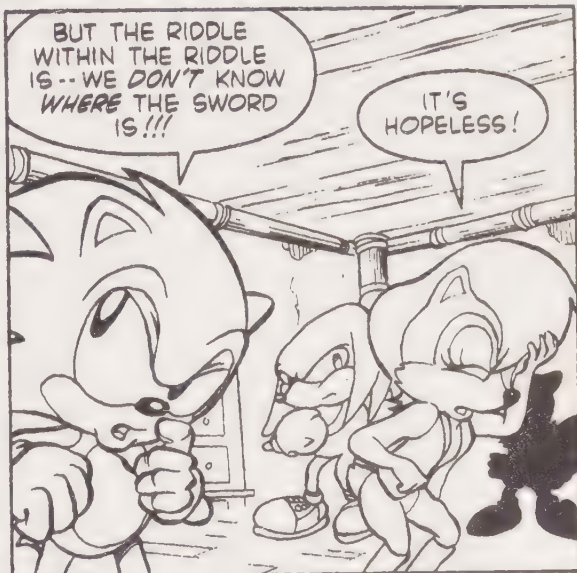
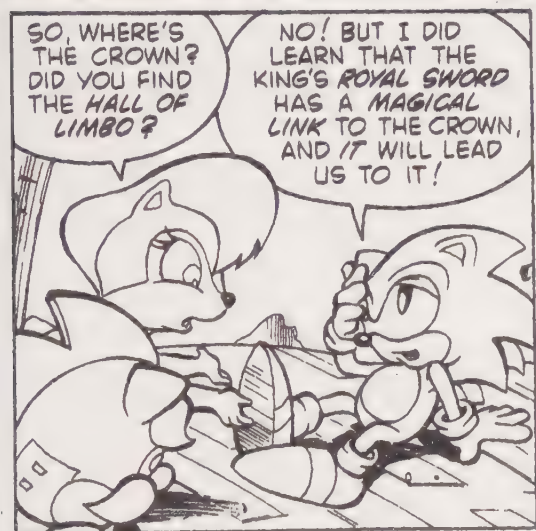
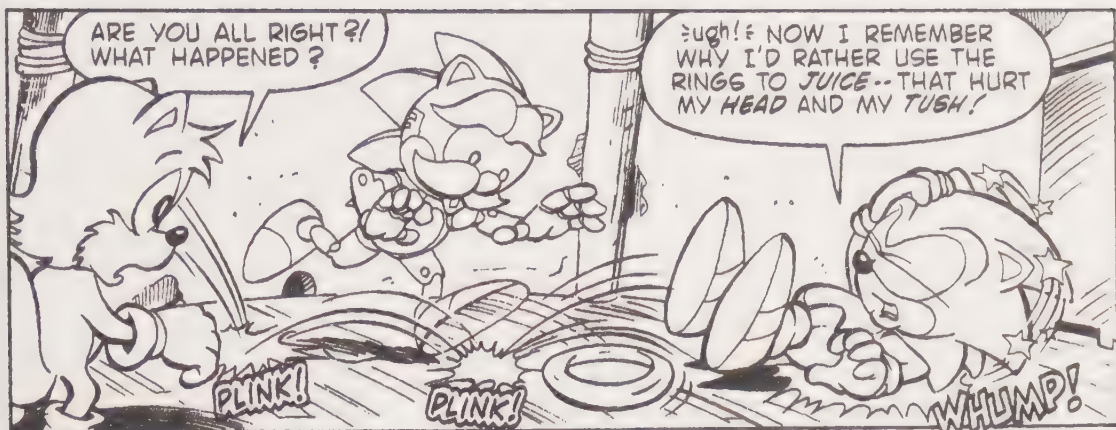
"NOT KNOWING WHO I COULD NOW
TRUST, I THOUGHT IT BEST TO CALL
ON **OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE**...

"USING AN **OUTDATED** AND **UNTRACEABLE**
FREQUENCY, I RADIOED **KNUCKLES**...

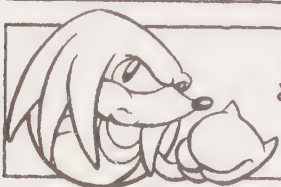
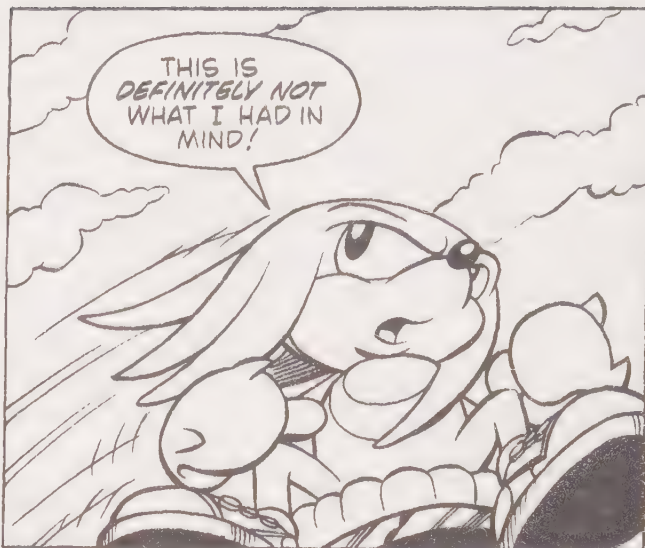
"NOT ONLY DID HE
AGREE TO HELP..."







KNUCKLES QUEST BEGINS THIS ISSUE!
FLIP THE PAGES AND ENJOY!

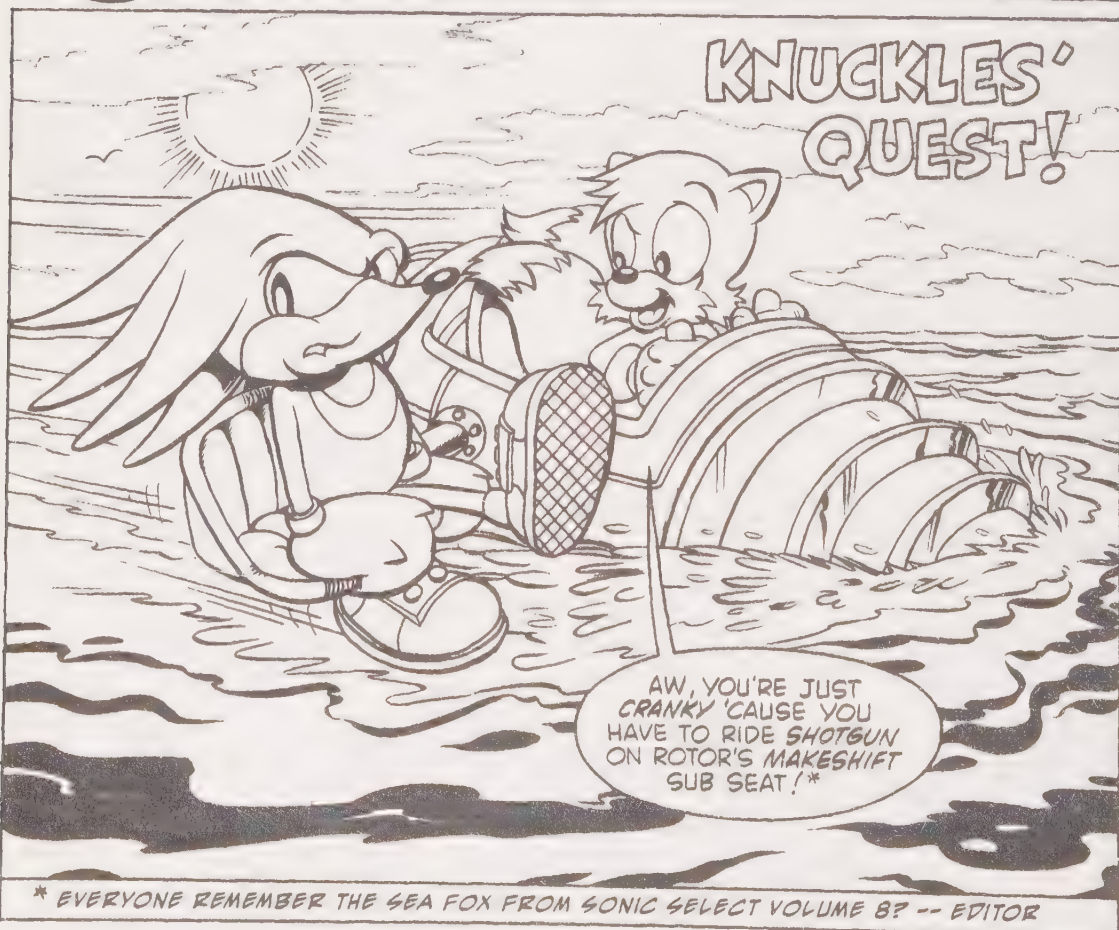


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& KENT TAYLOR
WRITERS

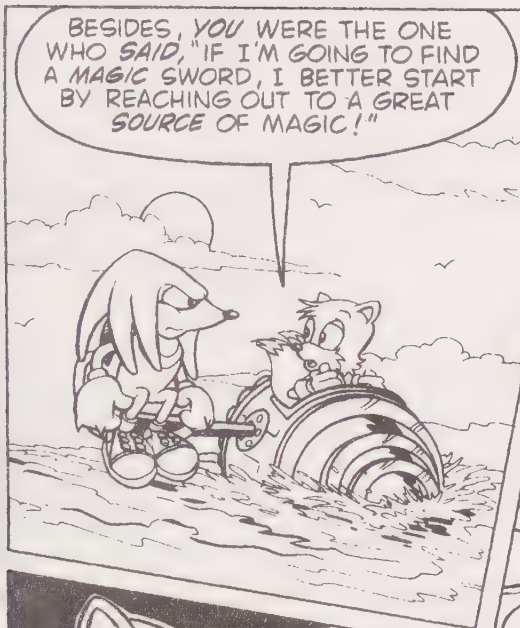
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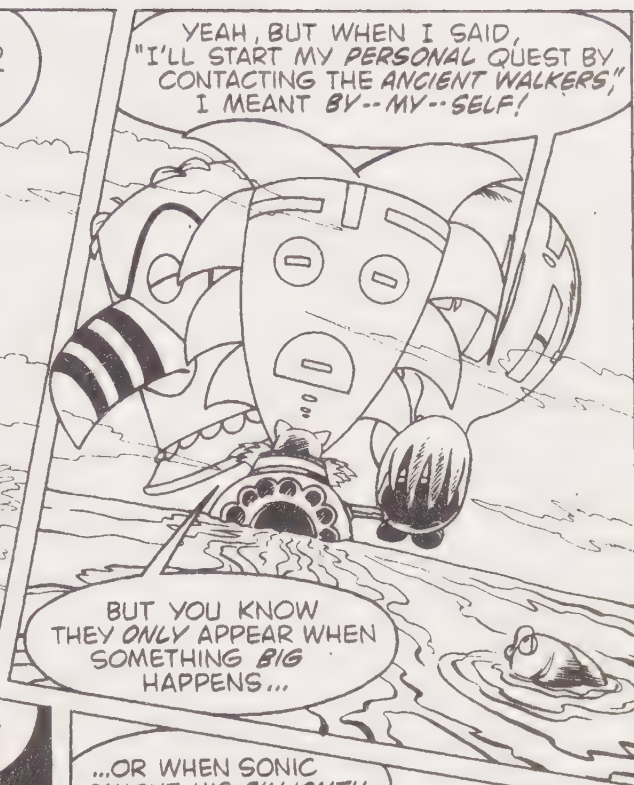
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* EVERYONE REMEMBER THE SEA FOX FROM SONIC SELECT VOLUME 8? -- EDITOR

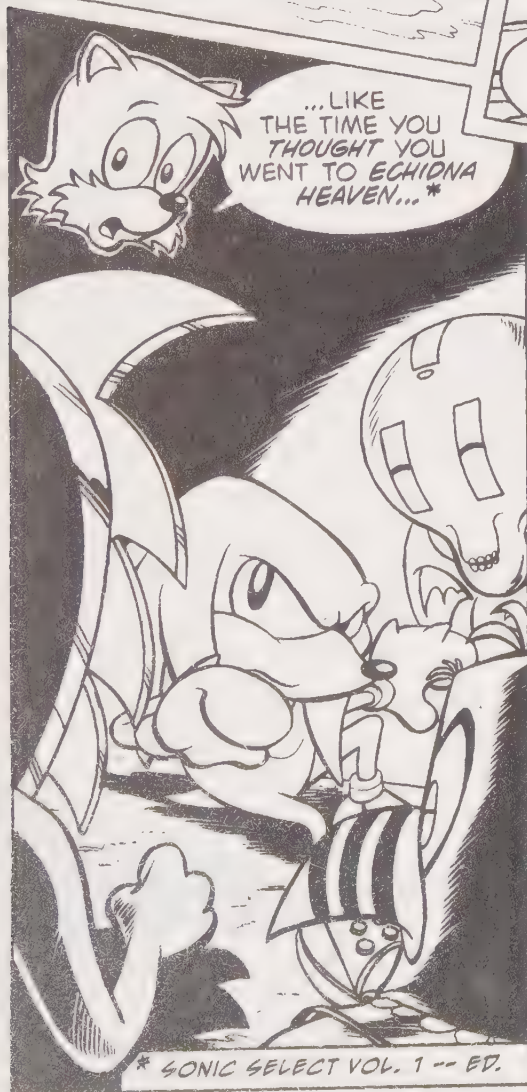


BESIDES, YOU WERE THE ONE WHO SAID, "IF I'M GOING TO FIND A MAGIC SWORD, I BETTER START BY REACHING OUT TO A GREAT SOURCE OF MAGIC!"

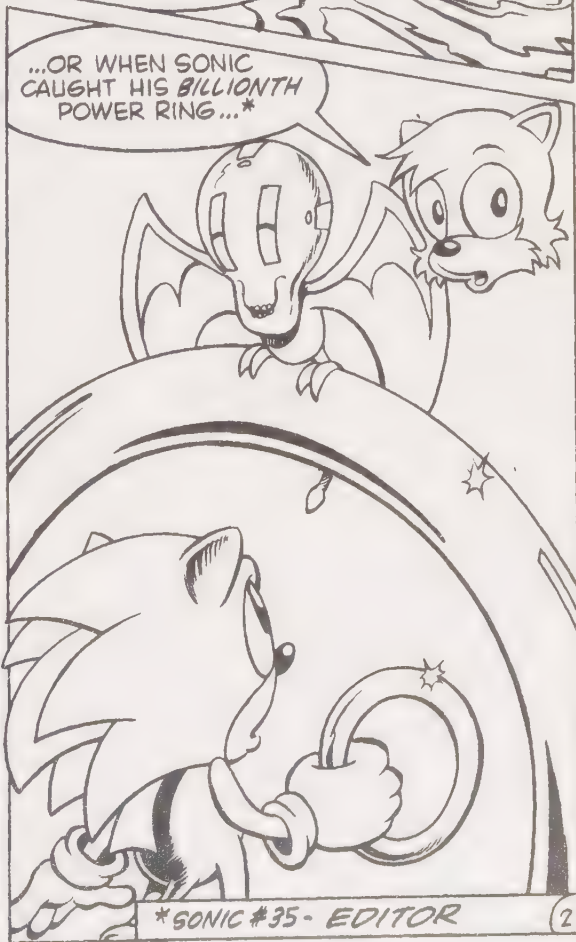


YEAH, BUT WHEN I SAID, "I'LL START MY PERSONAL QUEST BY CONTACTING THE ANCIENT WALKERS," I MEANT BY--MY--SELF!

BUT YOU KNOW THEY ONLY APPEAR WHEN SOMETHING BIG HAPPENS...



...LIKE THE TIME YOU THOUGHT YOU WENT TO ECHIDNA HEAVEN...*

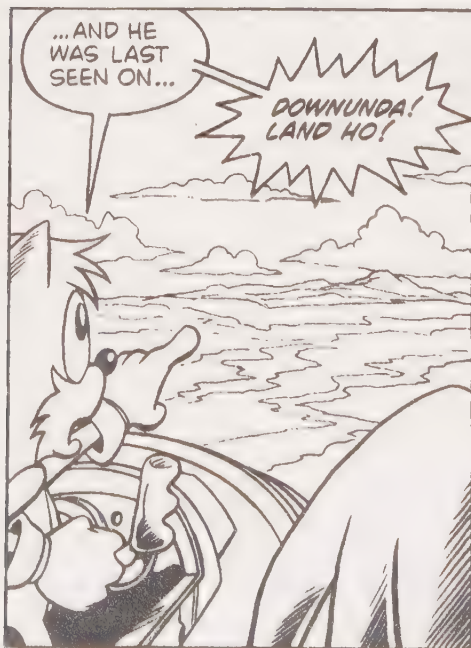
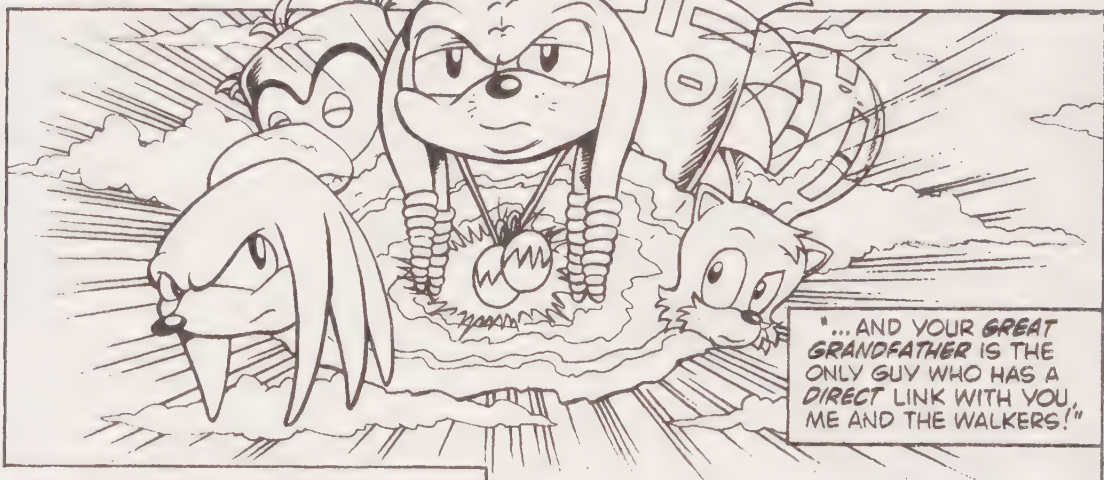
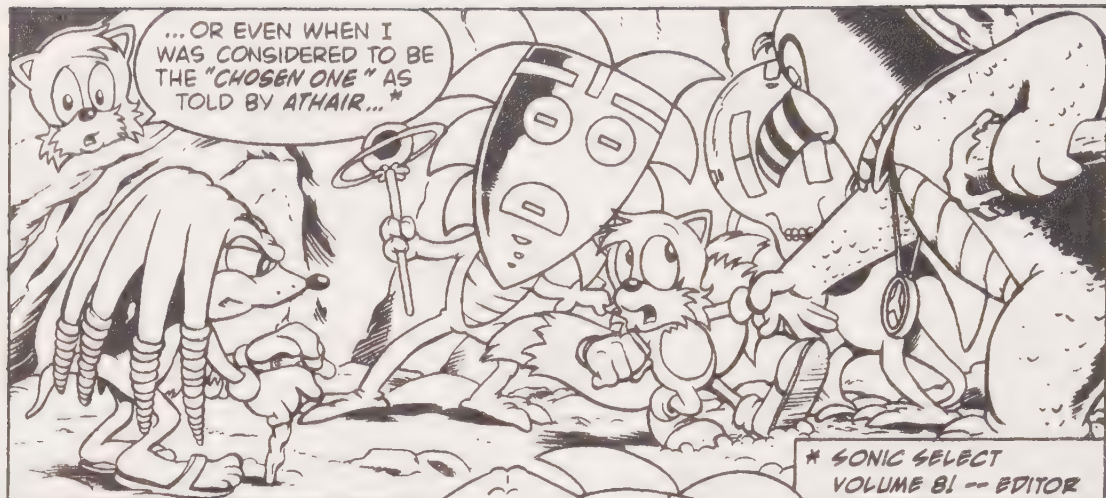


...OR WHEN SONIC CAUGHT HIS BILLIONTH POWER RING...*

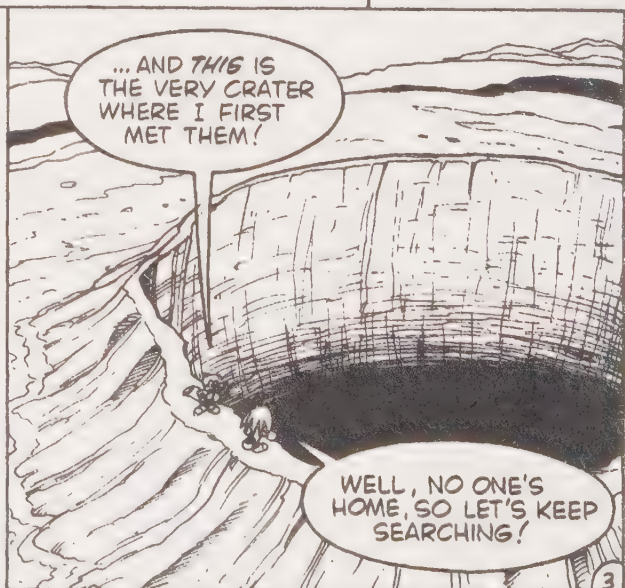
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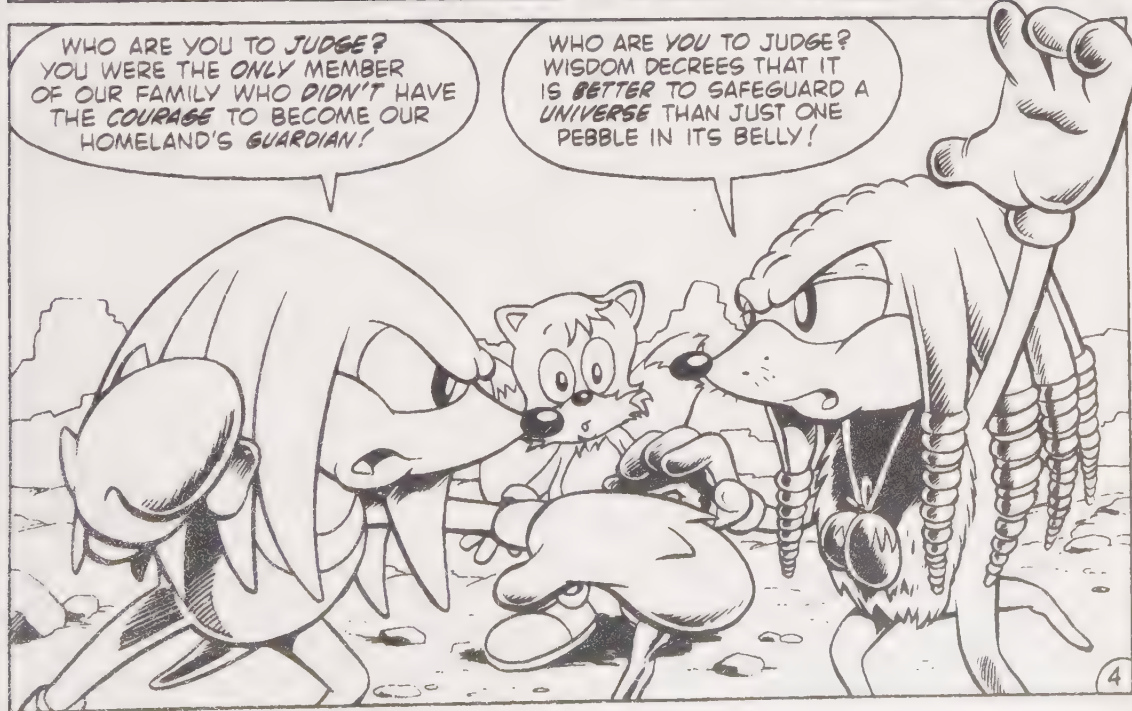
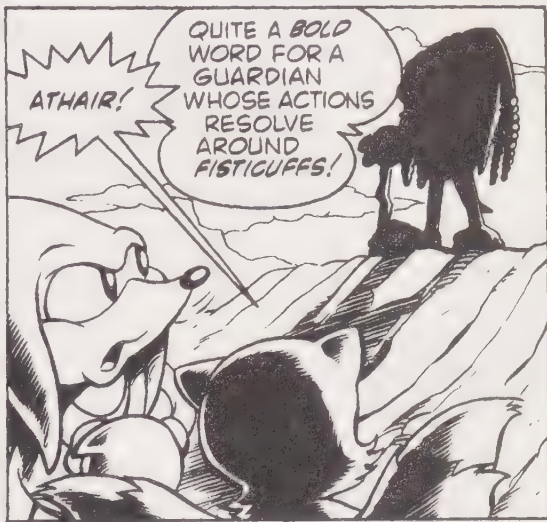
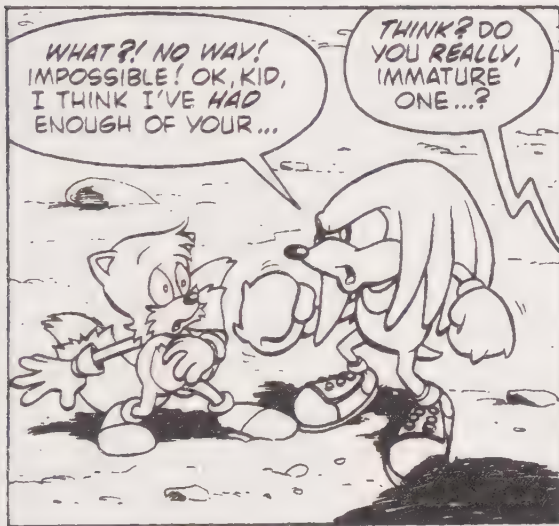
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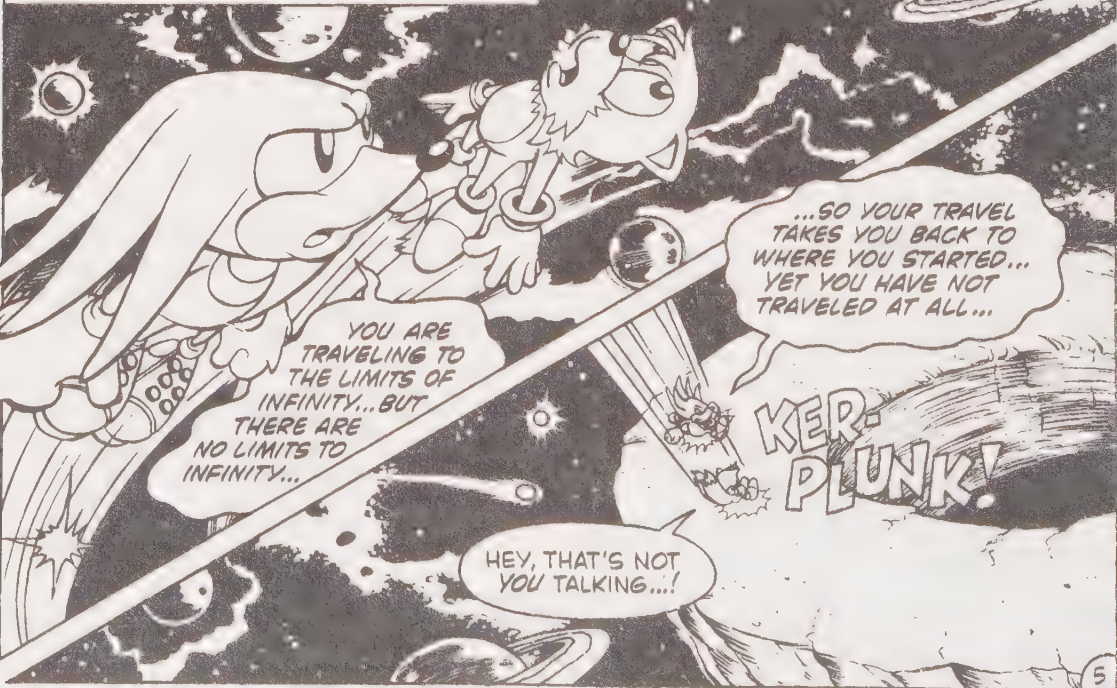
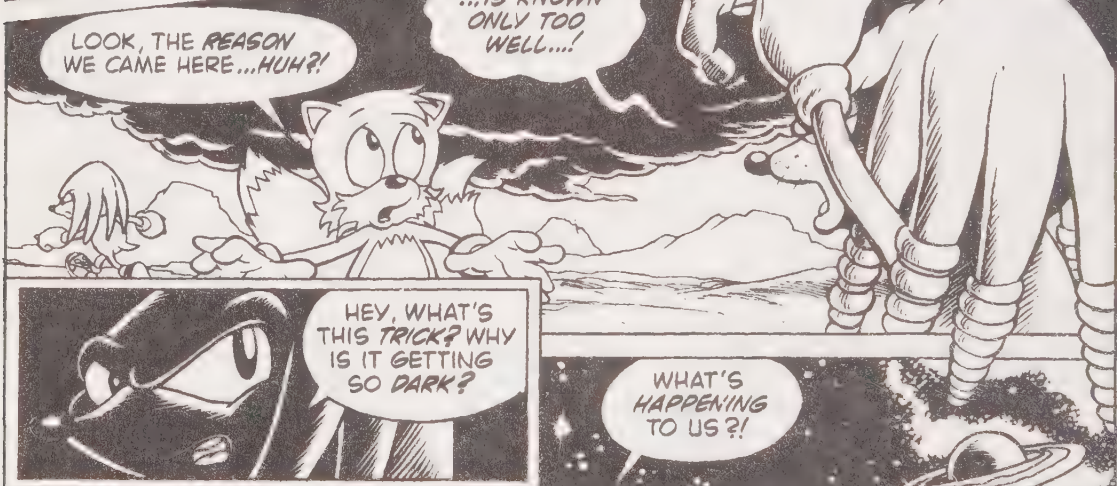
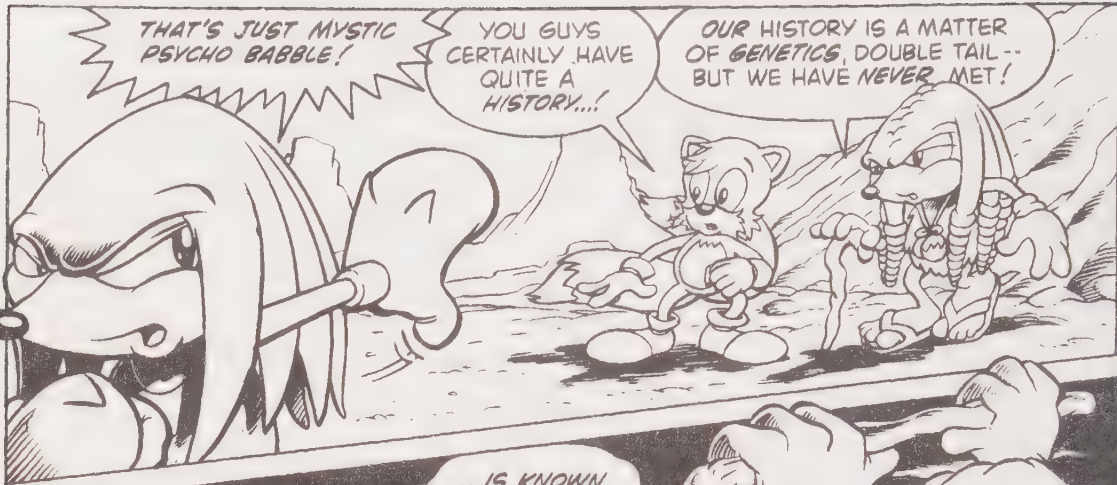


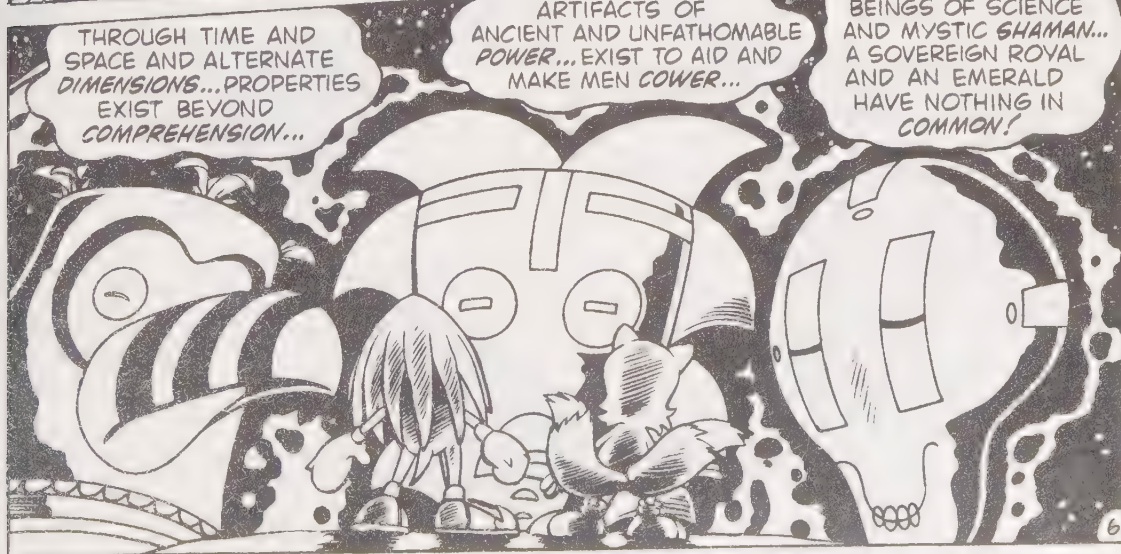
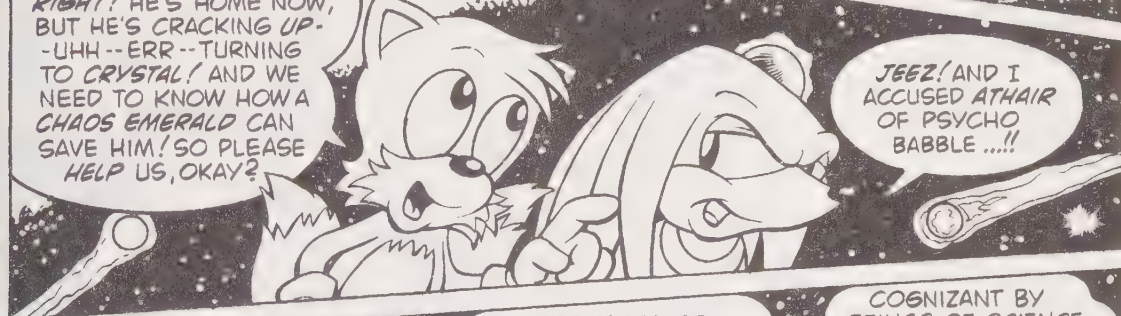
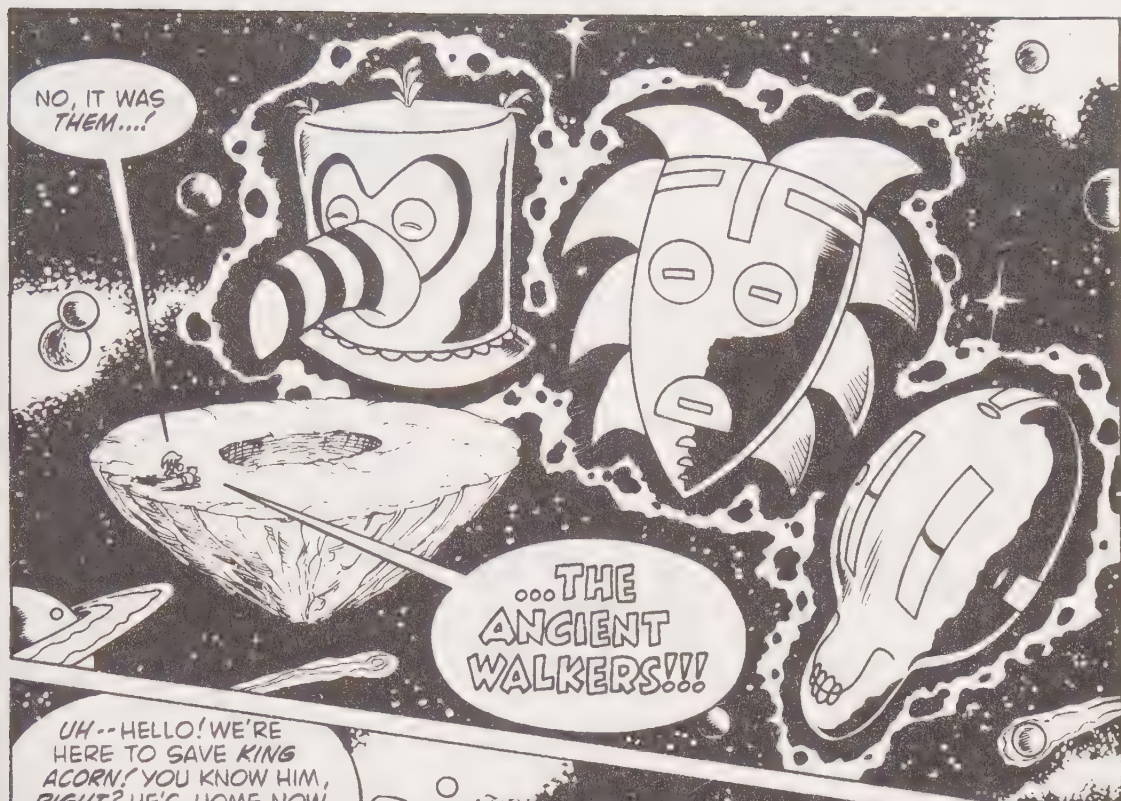
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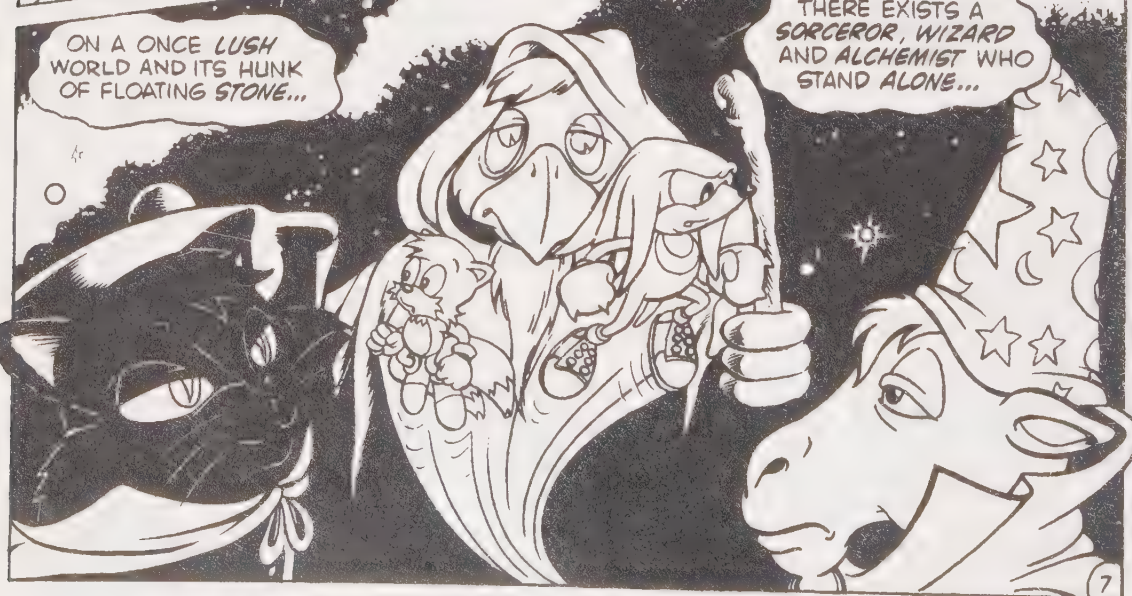
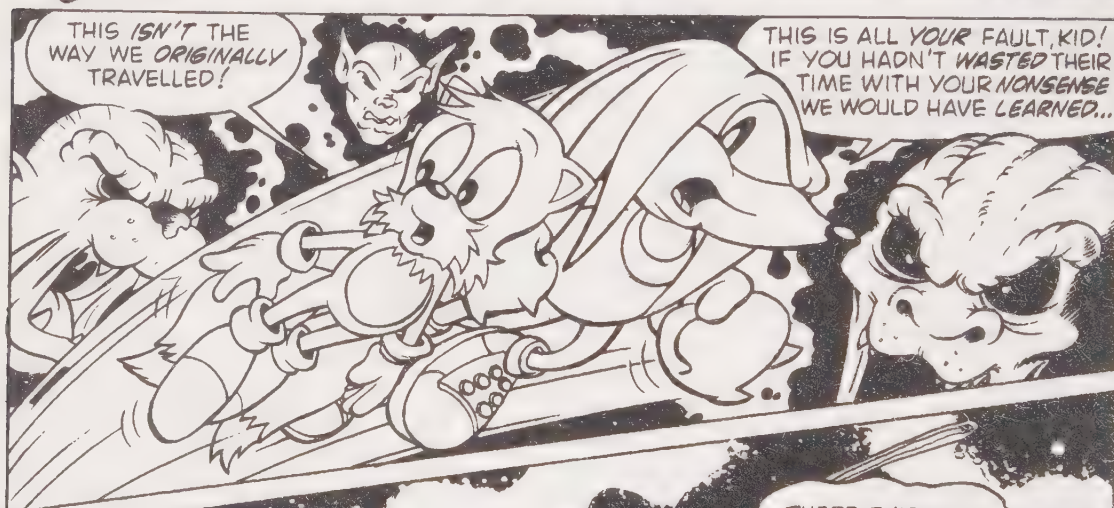
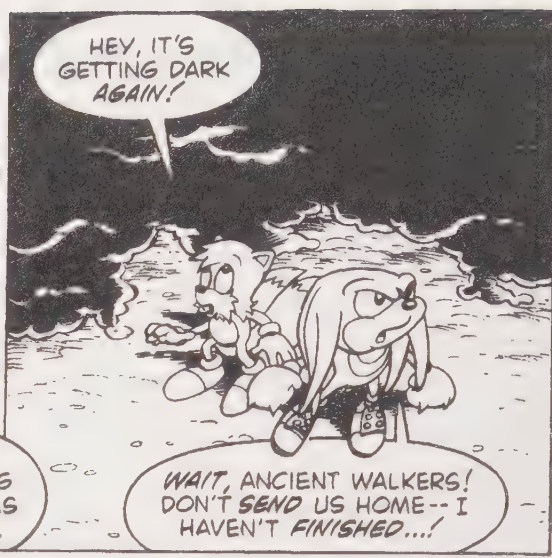
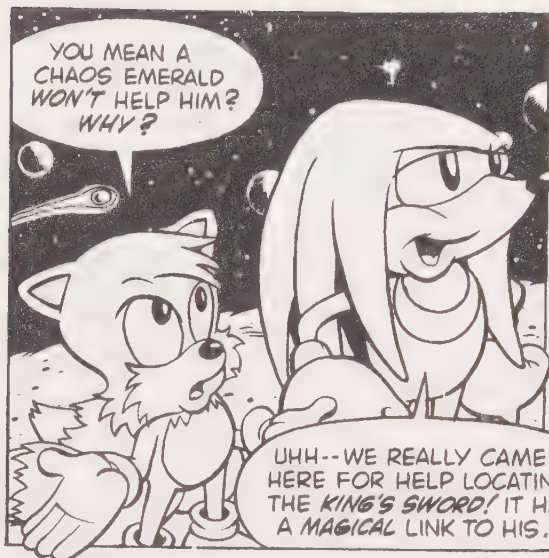
OH, NO, KID,
YOU LED US IN
CIRCLES!

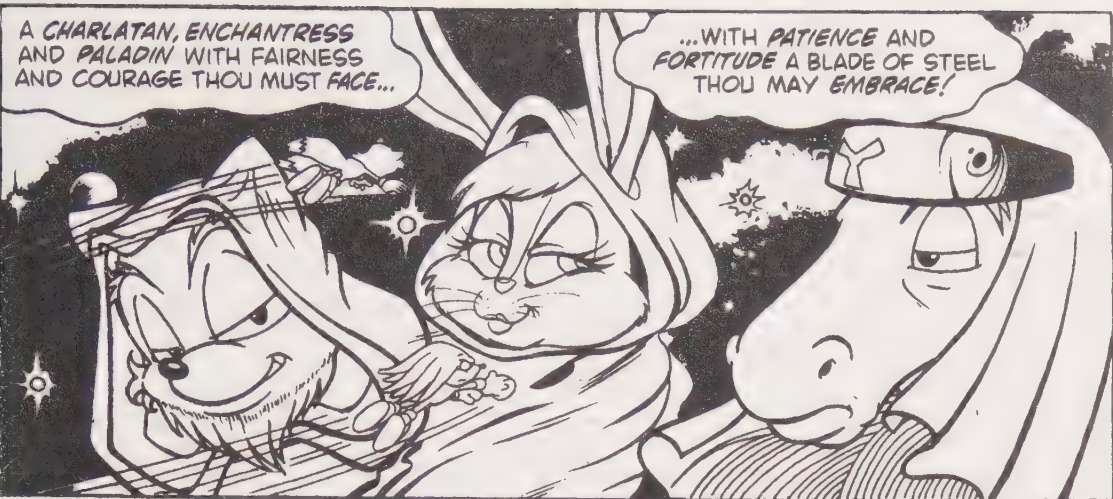
BIG DEAL! I STILL SAY
WE'LL FIND ATHAIR HERE!
AFTER ALL, THIS CRATER IS
THE FORMER SITE OF THE
FLOATING ISLAND...!





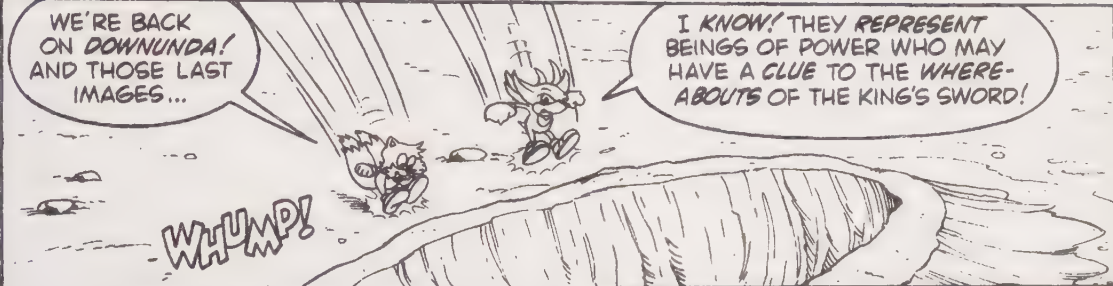






A CHARLATAN, ENCHANTRESS
AND PALADIN WITH FAIRNESS
AND COURAGE THOU MUST FACE...

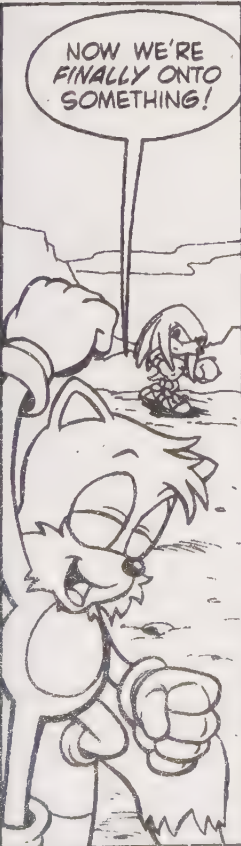
...WITH PATIENCE AND
FORTITUDE A BLADE OF STEEL
THOU MAY EMBRACE!



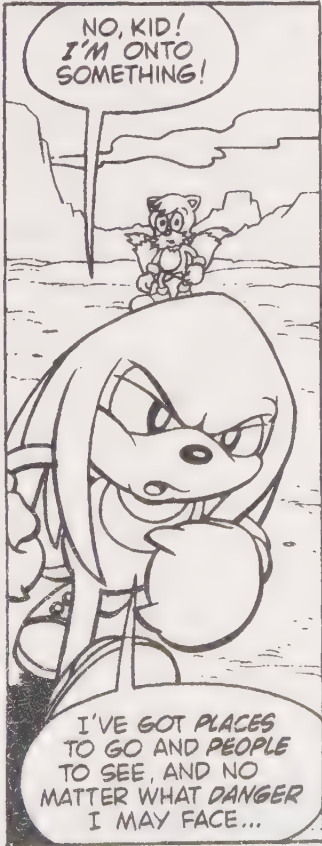
WE'RE BACK
ON DOWNUNDA!
AND THOSE LAST
IMAGES...

I KNOW! THEY REPRESENT
BEINGS OF POWER WHO MAY
HAVE A CLUE TO THE WHERE-
ABOUTS OF THE KING'S SWORD!

WHUMP!

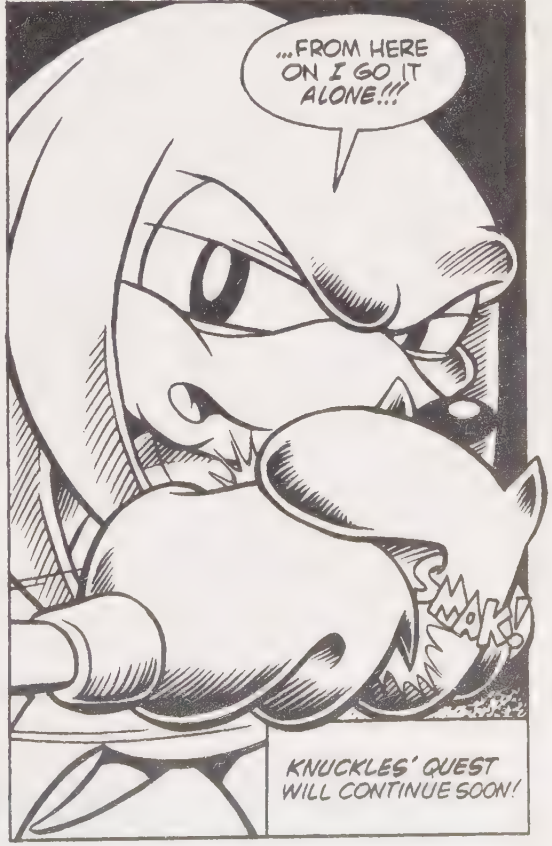


NOW WE'RE
FINALLY ONTO
SOMETHING!



NO, KID!
I'M ONTO
SOMETHING!

I'VE GOT PLACES
TO GO AND PEOPLE
TO SEE, AND NO
MATTER WHAT DANGER
I MAY FACE...



...FROM HERE
ON I GO IT
ALONE!!!

KNUCKLES' QUEST
WILL CONTINUE SOON!

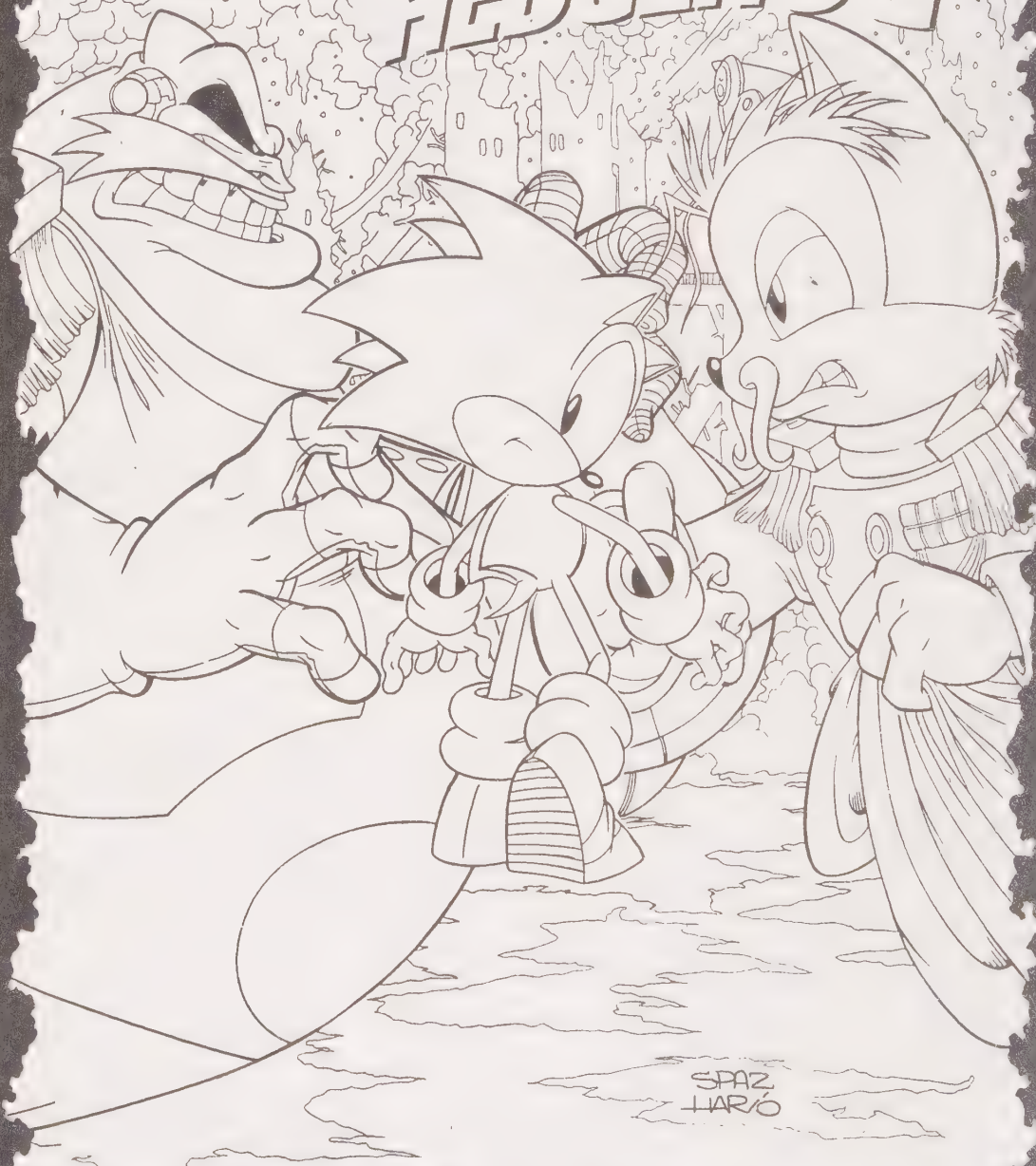
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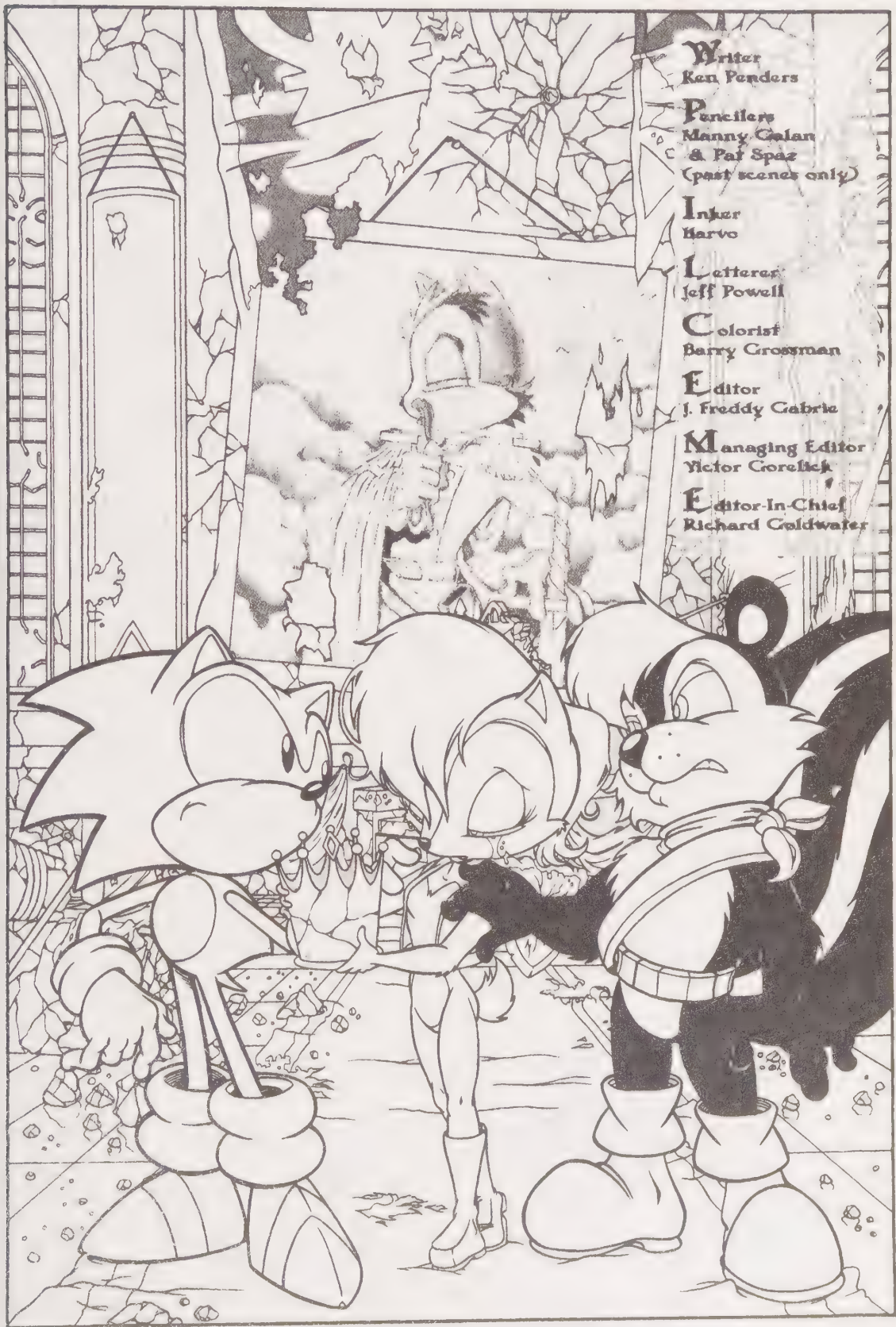
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OUT OF THE WAY,

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ONE HIGHLY
EXPERIENCED
PHYSICIAN COMIN'
THROUGH!

HEY!
WHERE'S
THE FIRE,
DOC?

I'VE GOT
PATIENTS TO
WORRY ABOUT AND
DISEASES TO
DIAGNOSE--

THE
Dream
ZONE
PART ONE

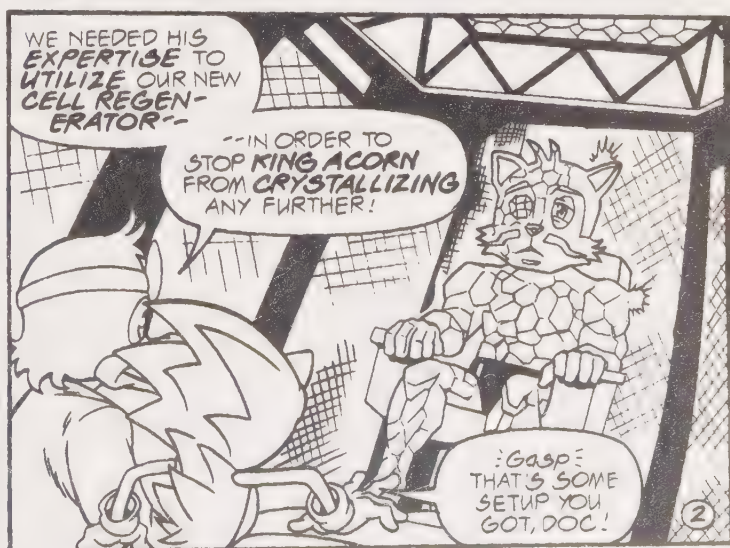
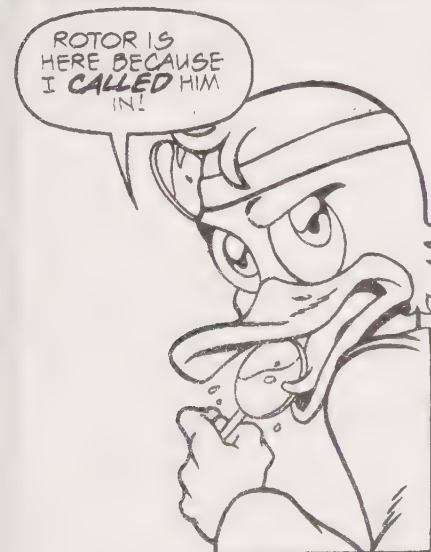
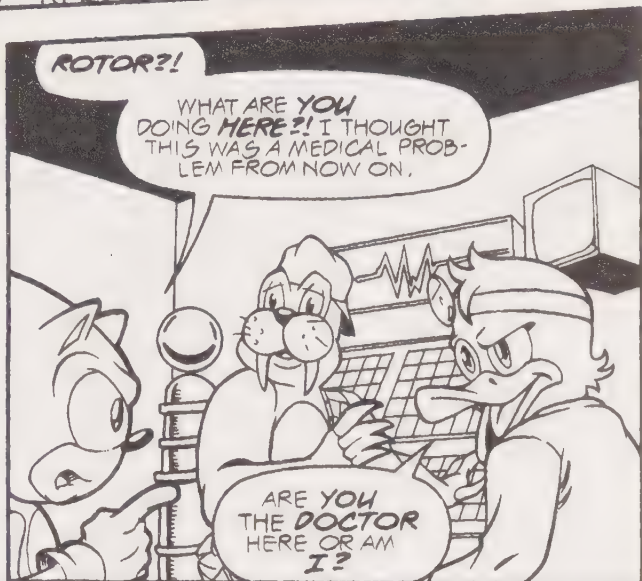
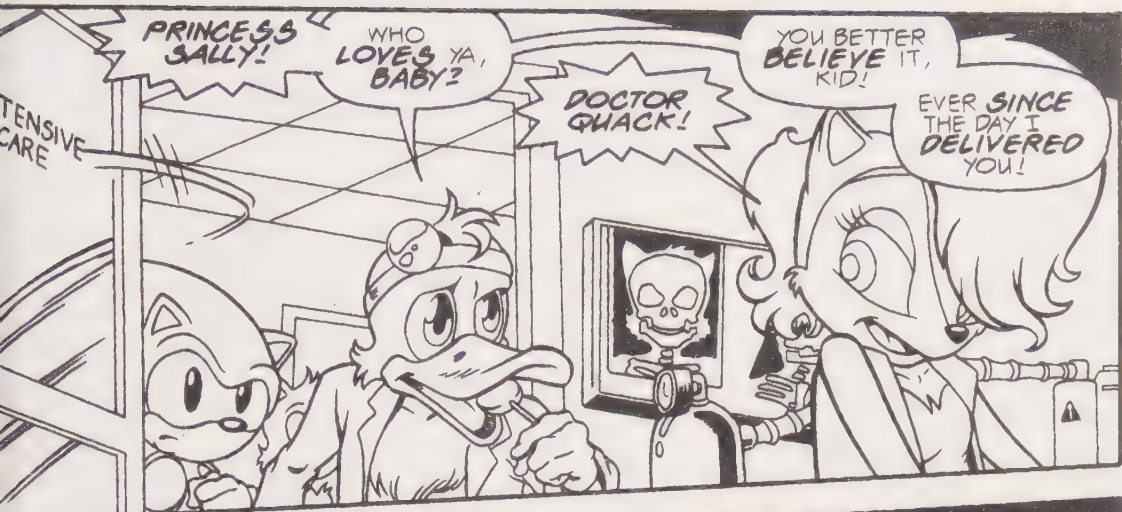
--AND
DOCTOR
KILDARE
WANTS A
REPORT!

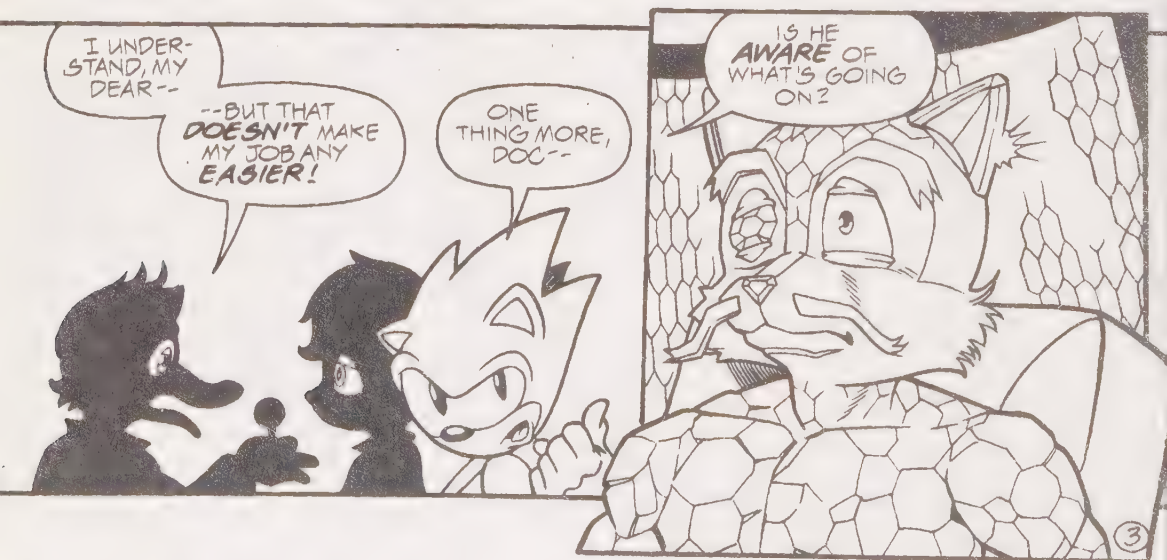
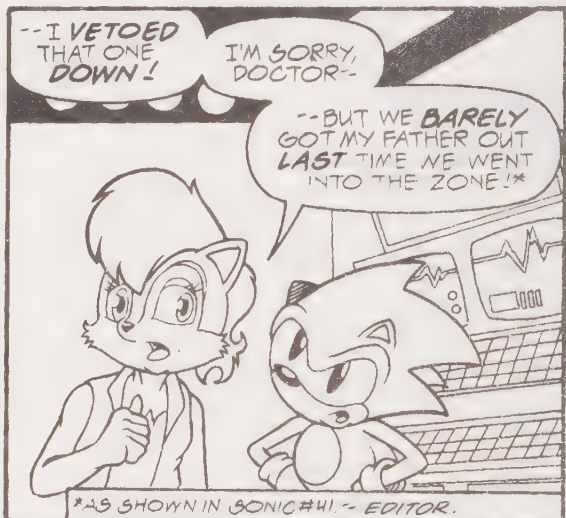
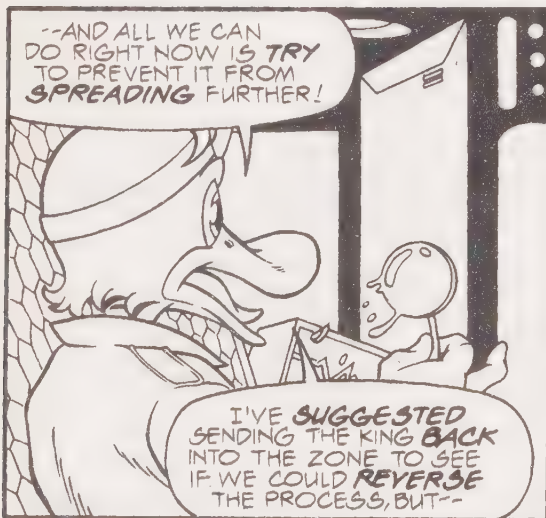
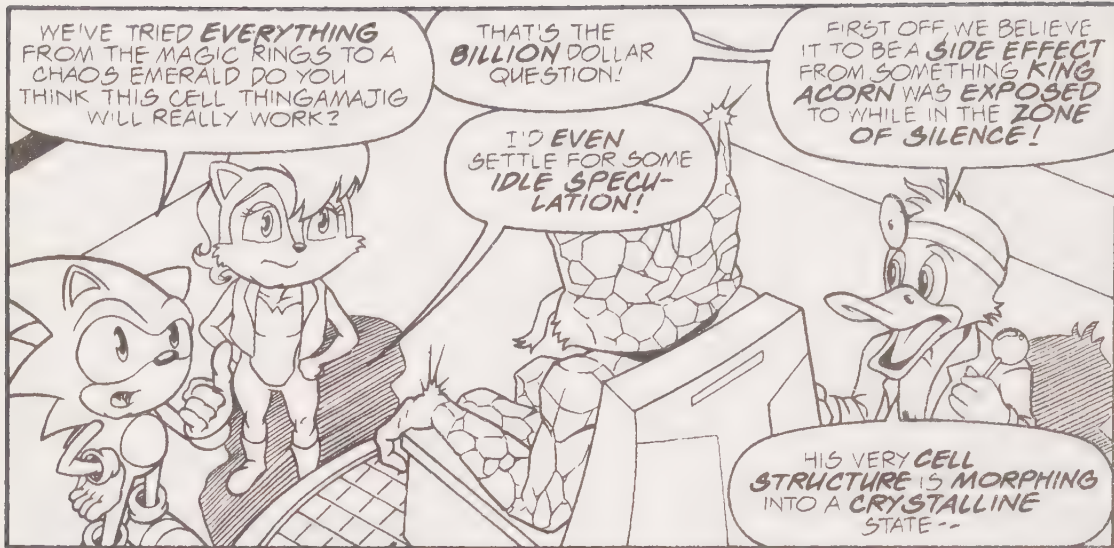
CHECK WITH
MY SECRETARY
FOR INFO, SONIC!
I HAVEN'T TIME
RIGHT NOW!

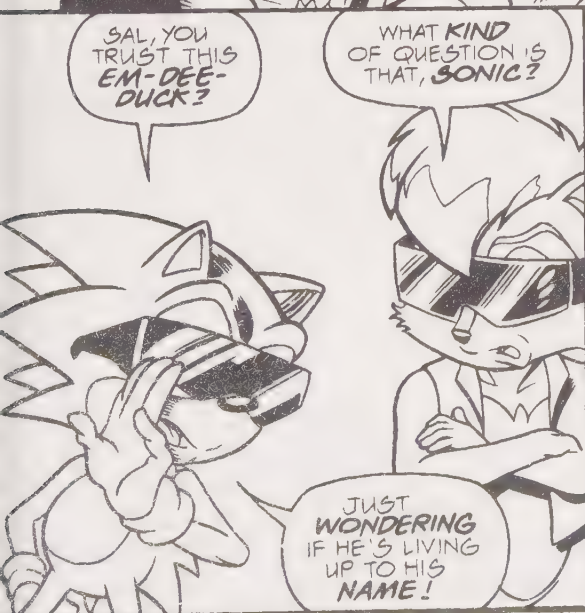
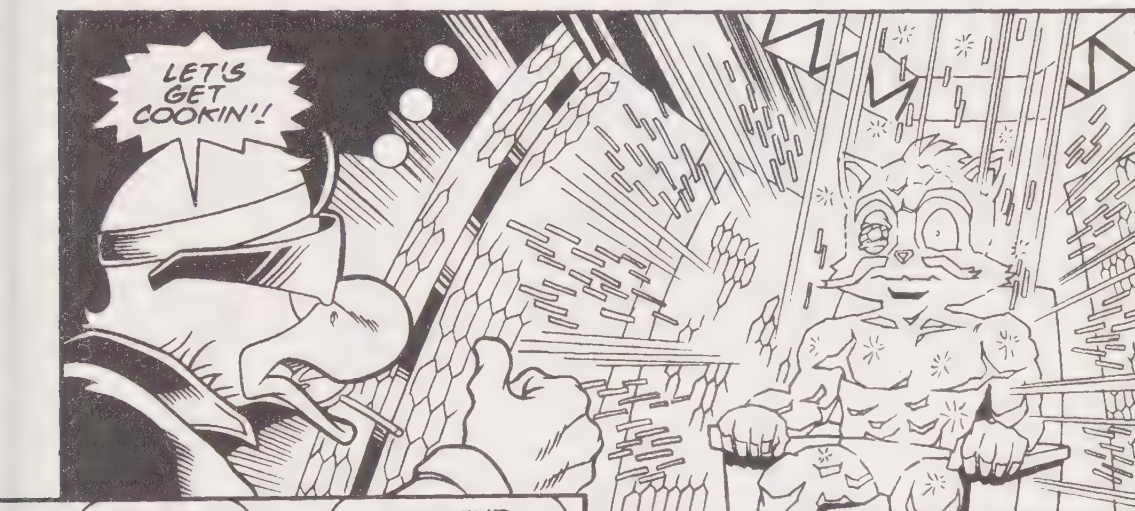
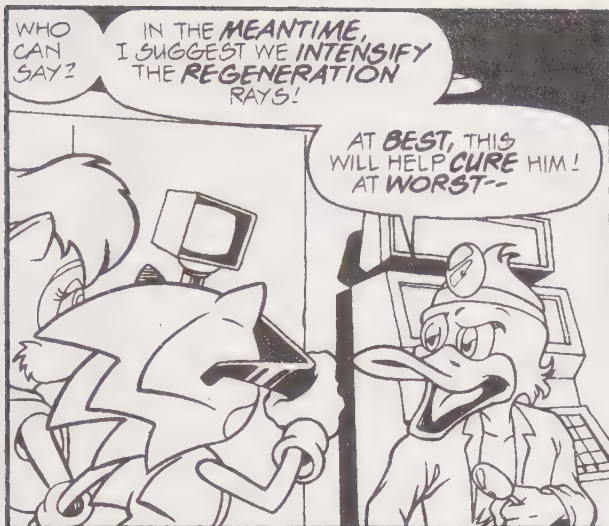
LET'S JUST
FOLLOW HIM,
SONIC!

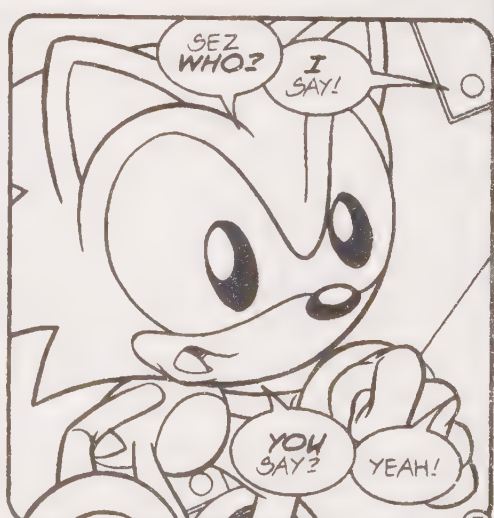
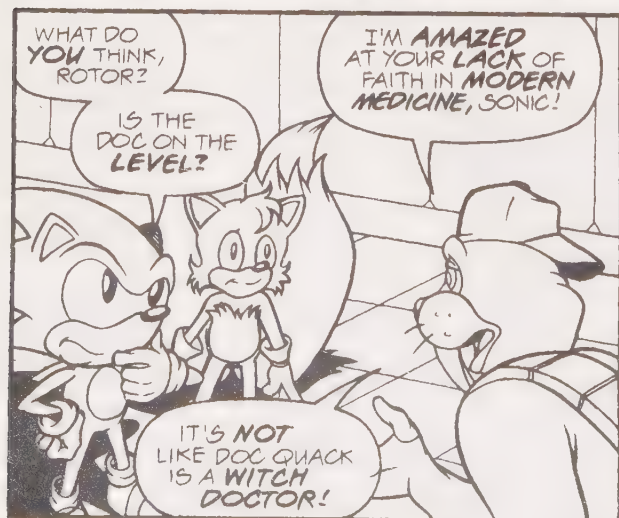
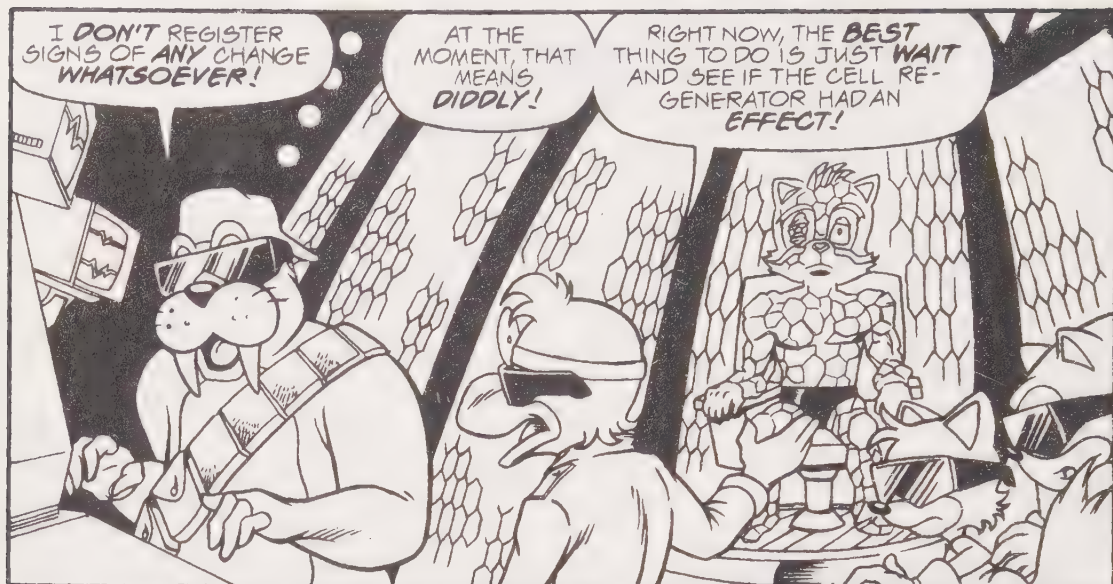
HE MAY
BE HEADING
TOWARDS--

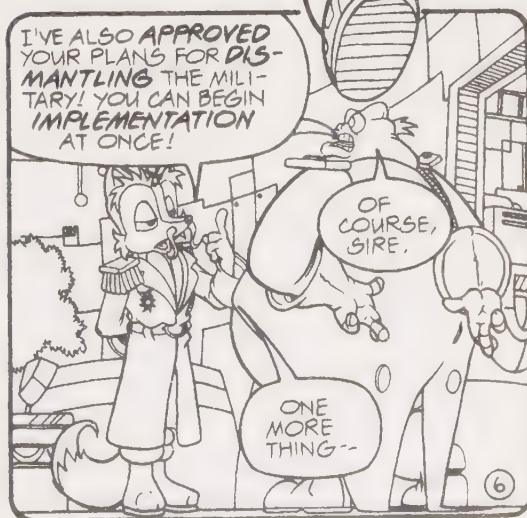
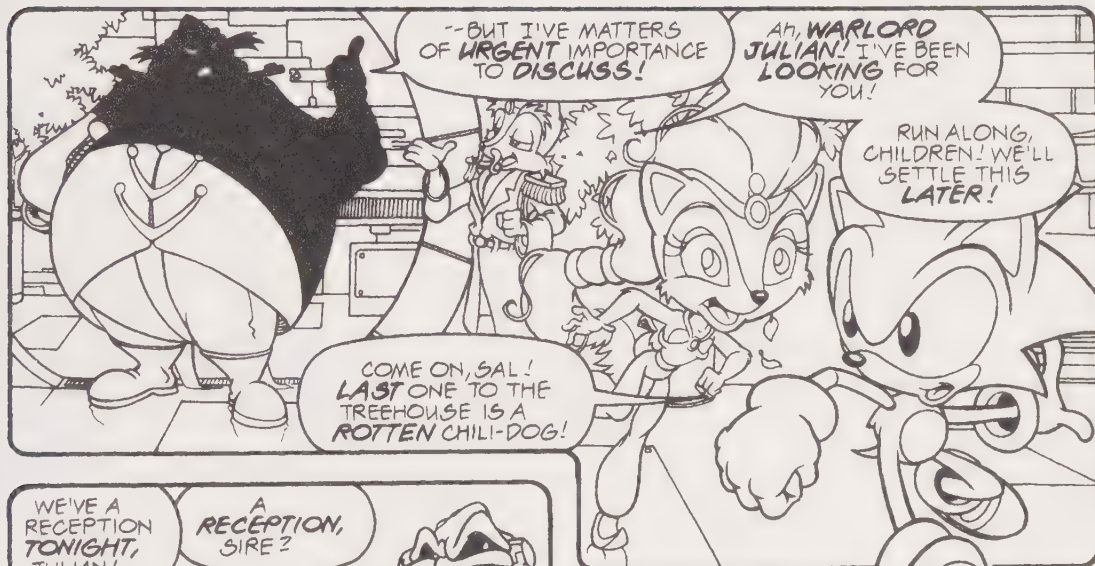
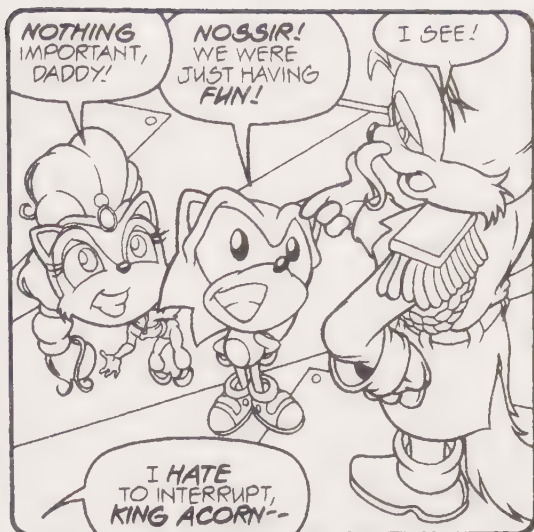
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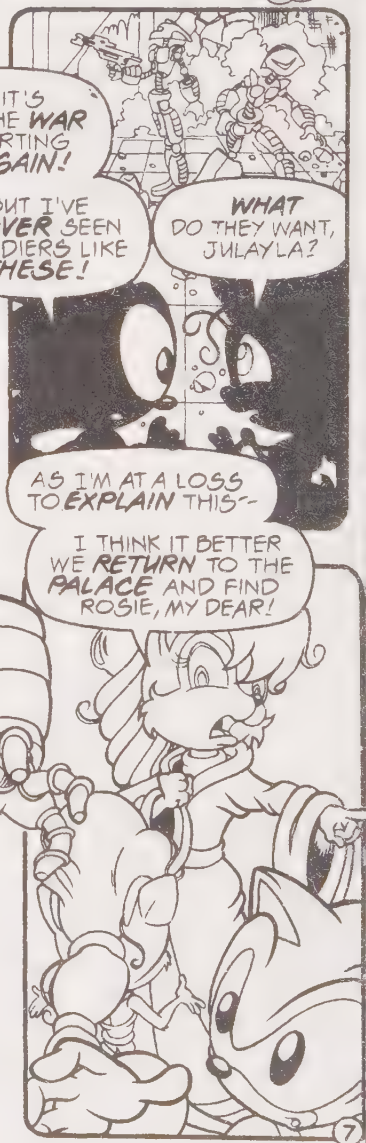
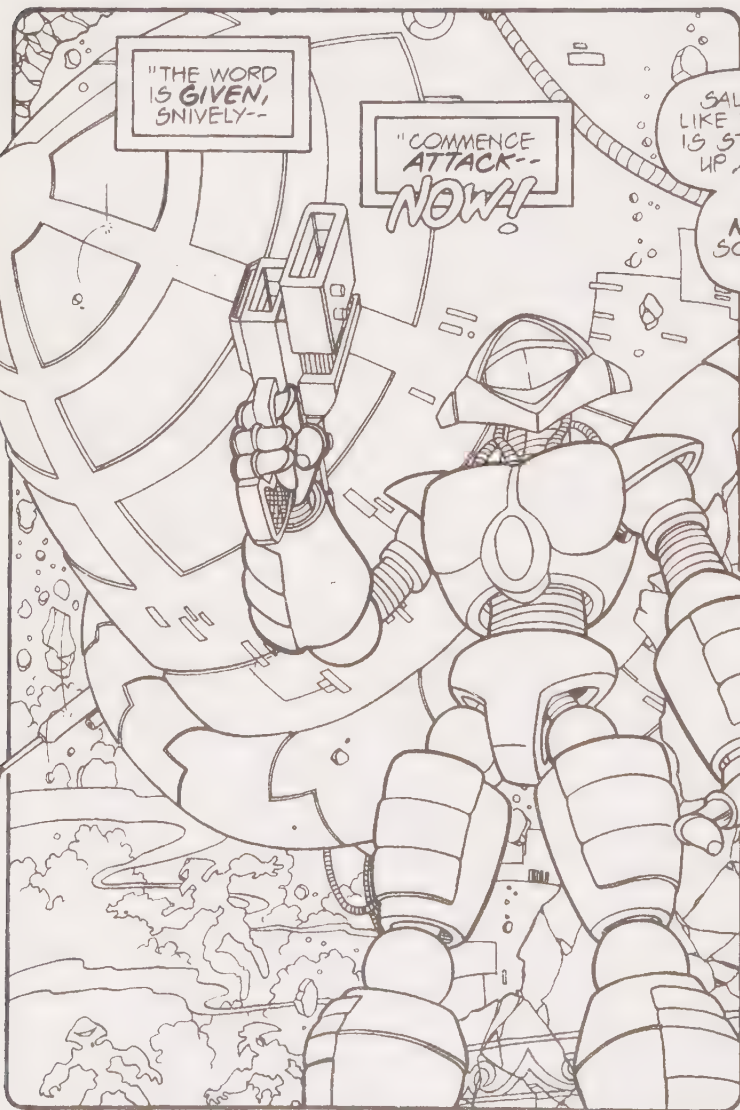
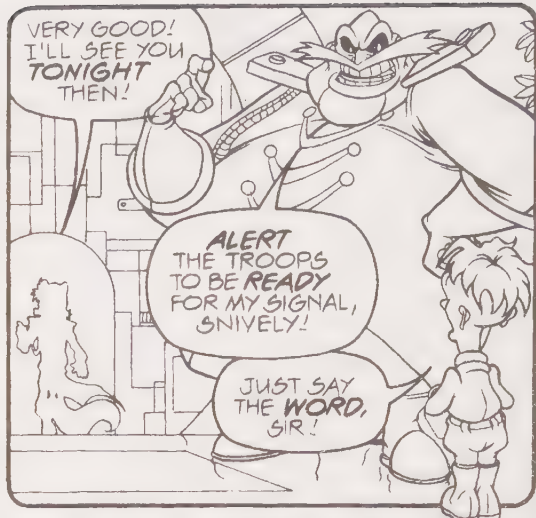














"I'M SURE **KING ACORN** IS **AWARE** OF THE SITUATION!"

JULIAN!
WHAT'S GOING ON **HERE?**

YOUR
MAJESTY,
MEMBERS OF
THE **ROYAL**
COURT--

I'VE
NOW ASSUMED
COMMAND!

HENCEFORTH,
MOBOTROPOLIS
IS **ROBOTROPOLIS,**
THE CAPITAL OF MY
KINGDOM!

MY ARMY OF **SWATBOTS**
HAVE STRUCK **SIMULTANEOUSLY**
AT VARIOUS POINTS THROUGHOUT
THE KINGDOM--

--VIRTUALLY **HALTING ANY**
CHANCE OF **RESISTANCE!**

THAT **COULD**
CHANGE, HOWEVER,
IF THE SUBJECTS
WERE TO **RALLY**
AROUND THE **KING**
AND CROWN!

GIVE IT UP,
JULIAN! YOU CAN'T
SUCCEED!



THE NAME IS NO
LONGER **JULIAN!** FROM
THIS DAY **FORWARD**
I AM--

ROBOTNIK!

AS FOR
YOU, **KING**
ACORN--



--I HEREBY
BANISH YOU
TO THE
ZONE OF
SILENCE--

--FOREVER!

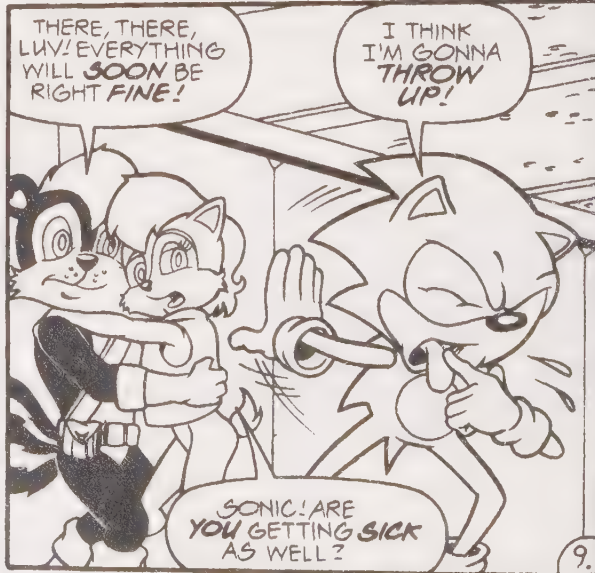
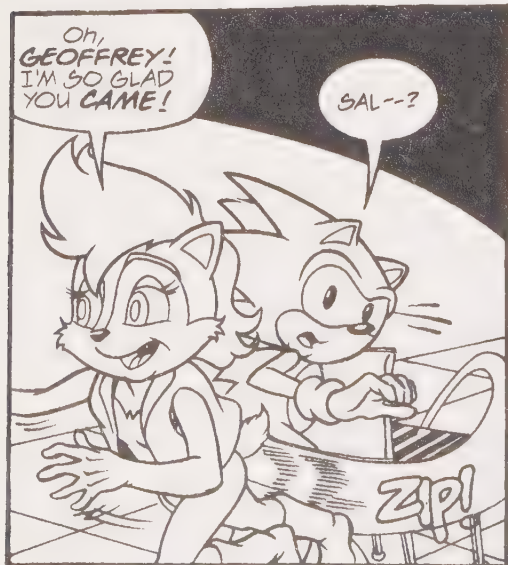
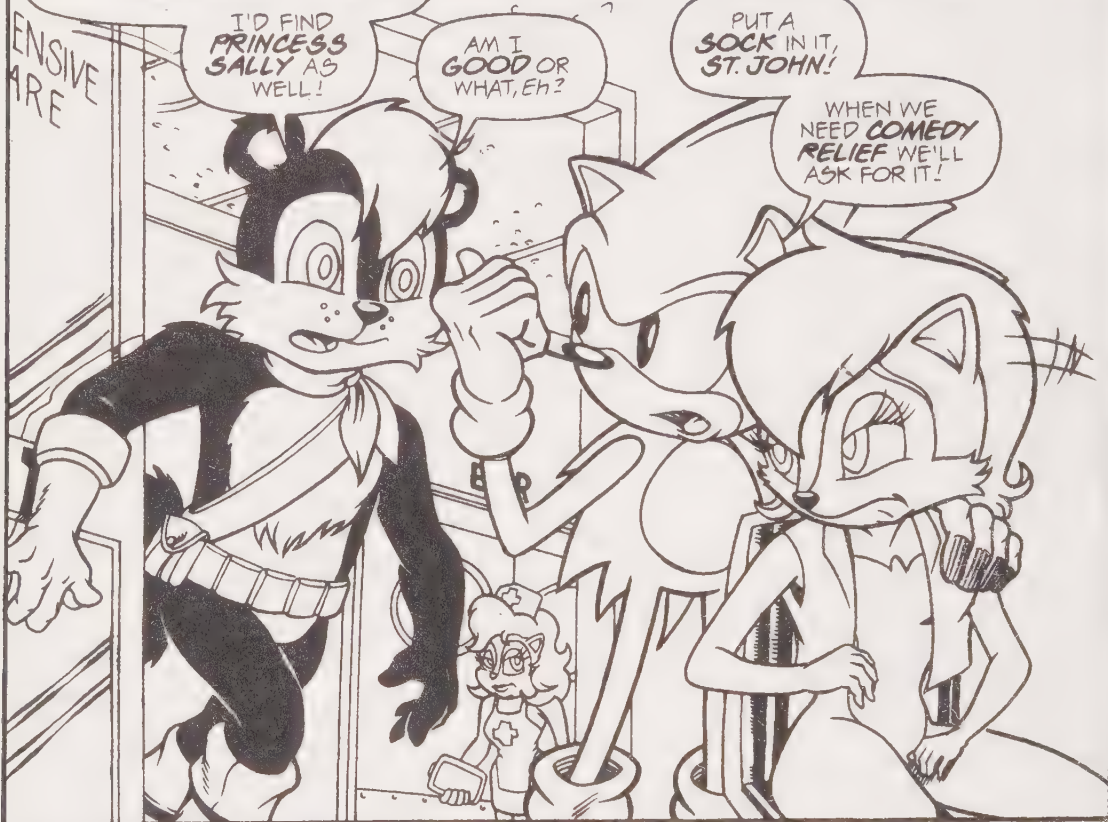
Oh,
my--

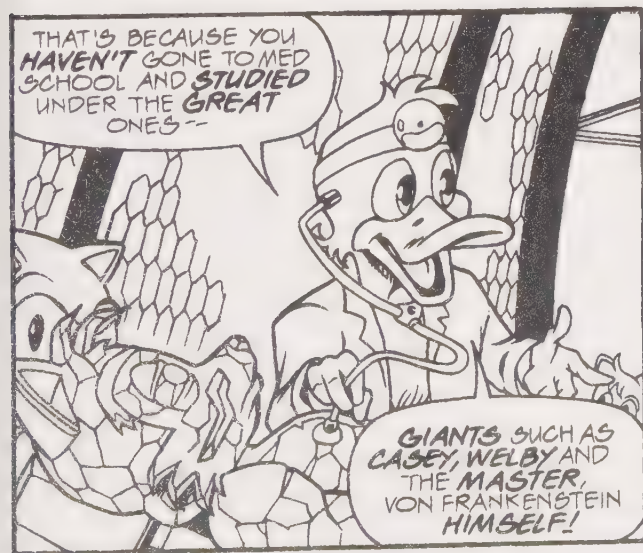
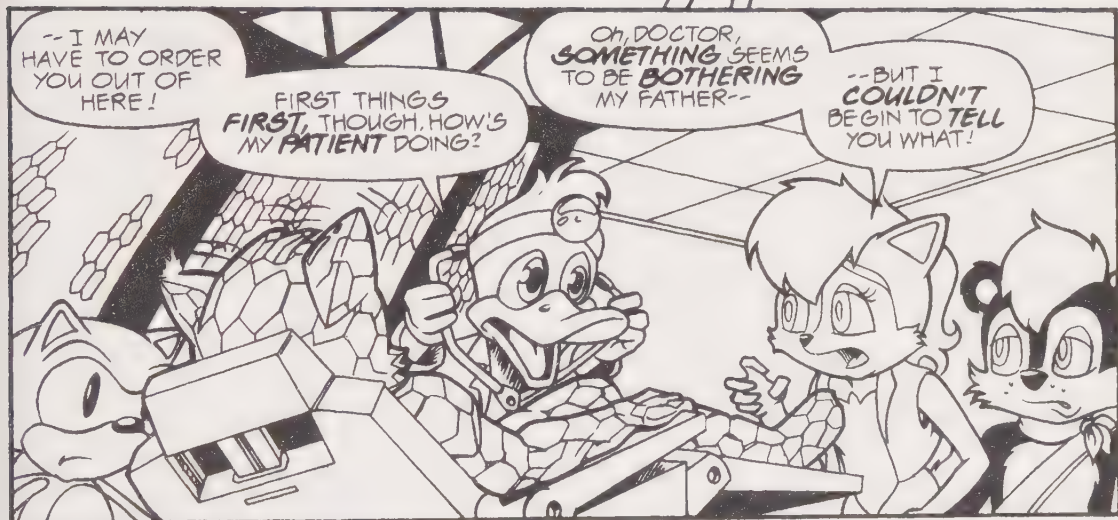
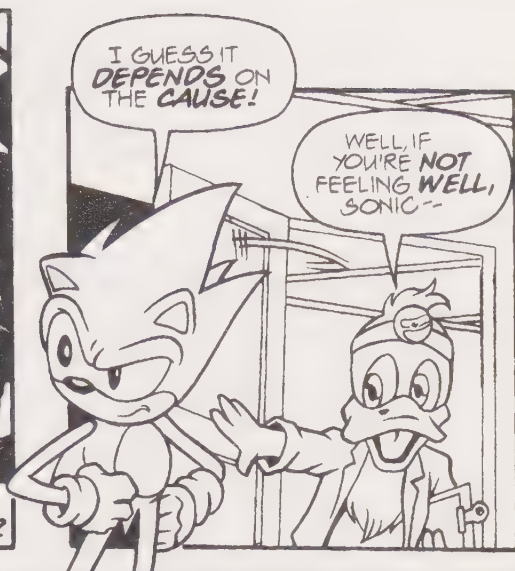
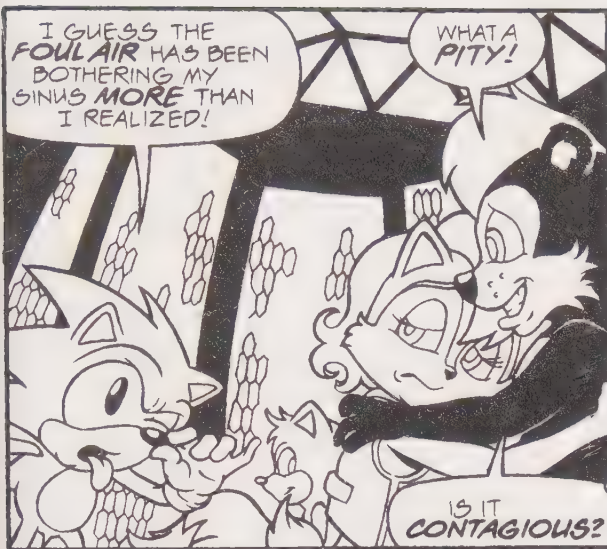
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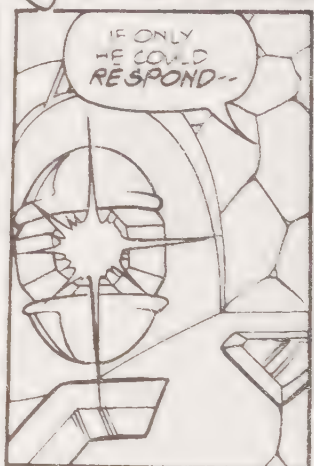
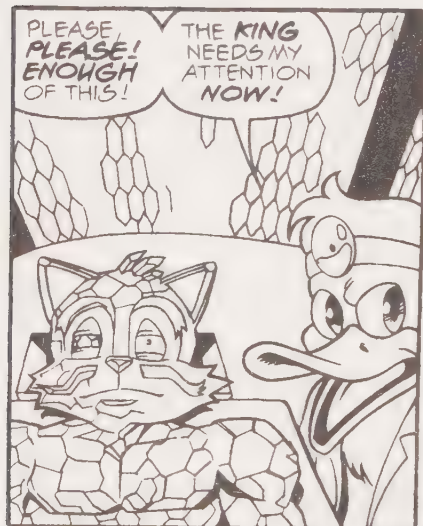
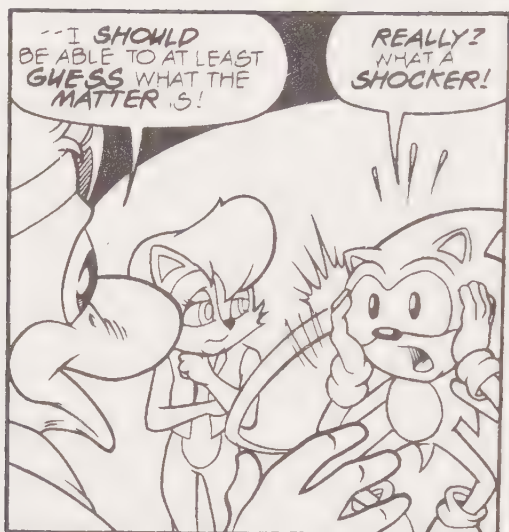
I THOUGHT IF I FOUND YOU,

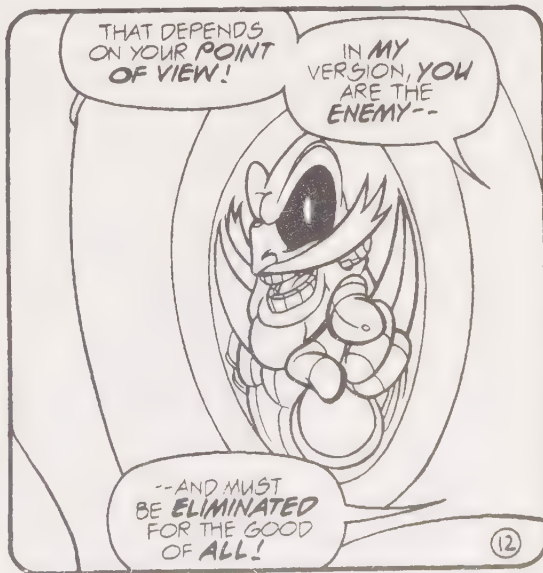
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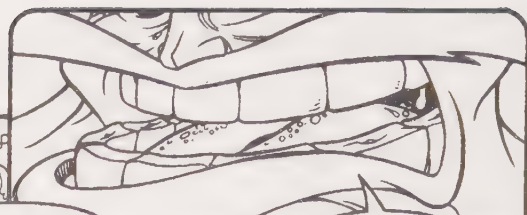
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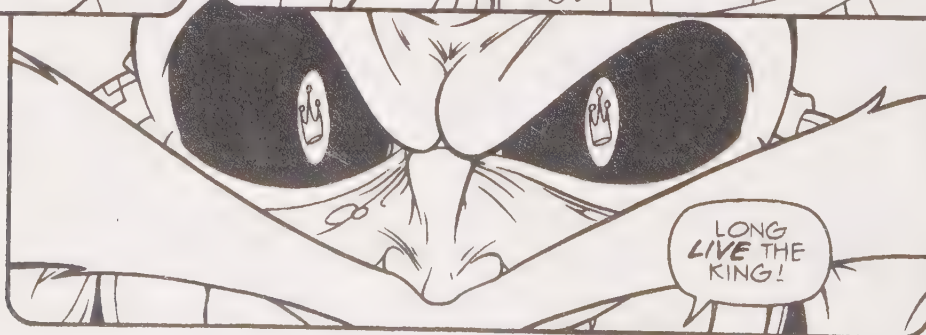
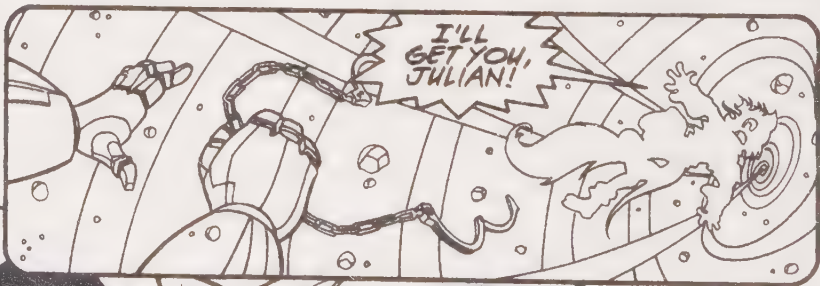
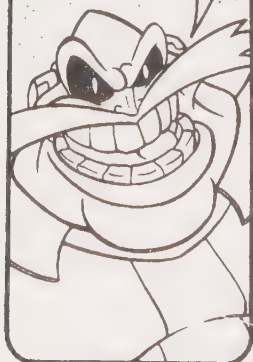
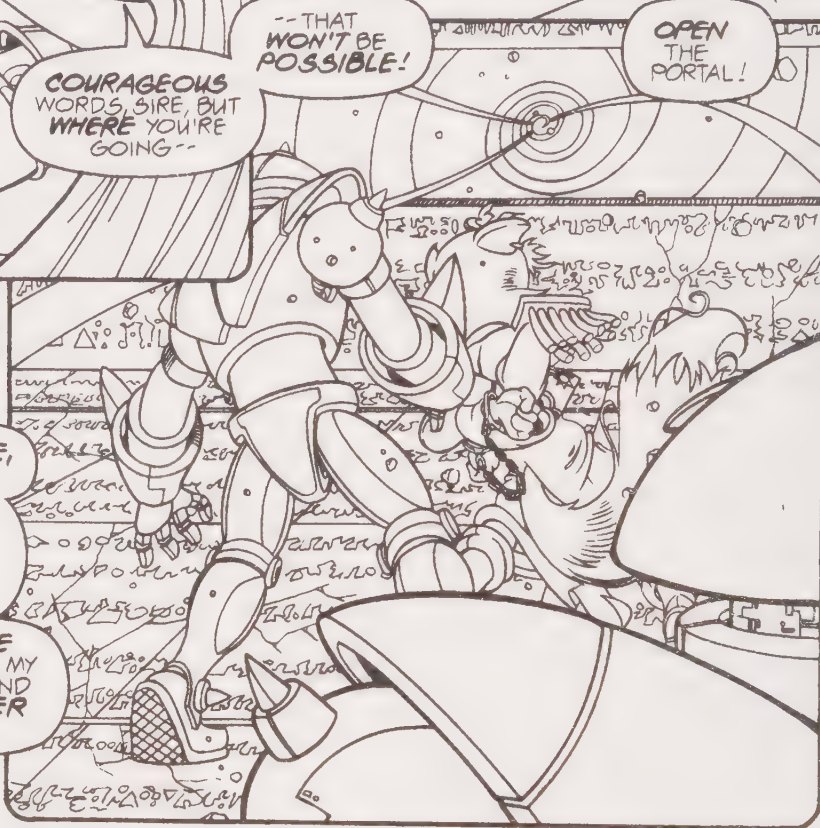


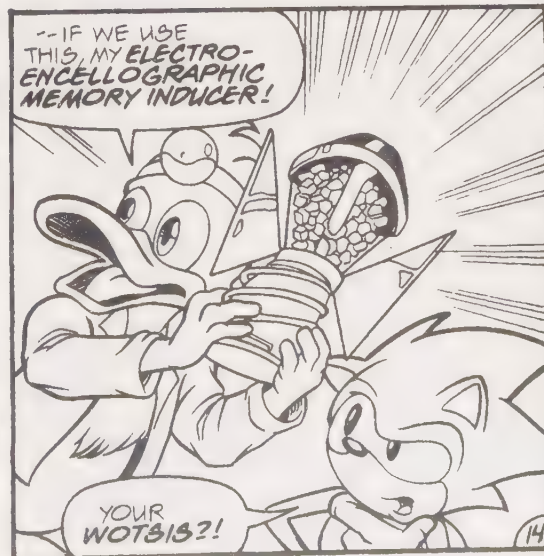
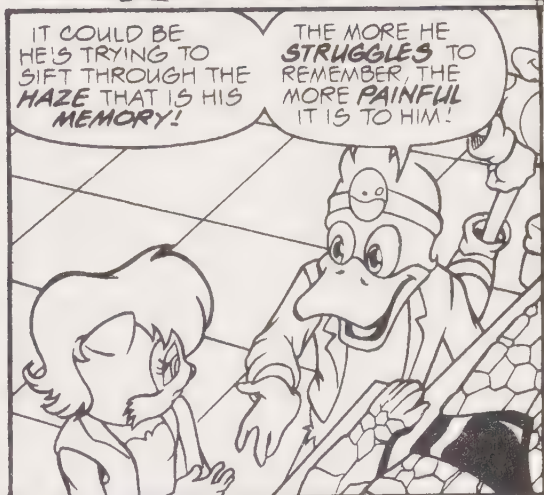
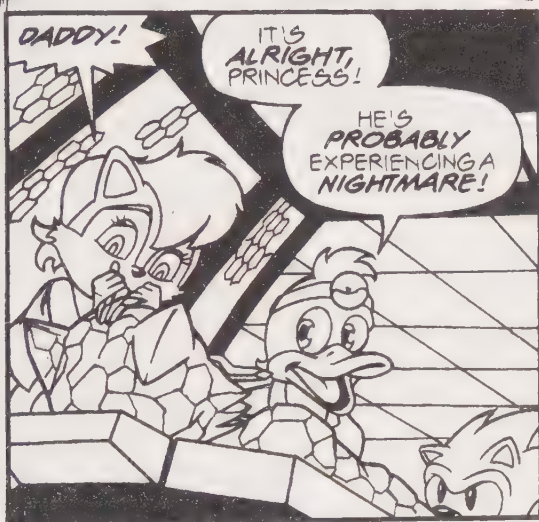
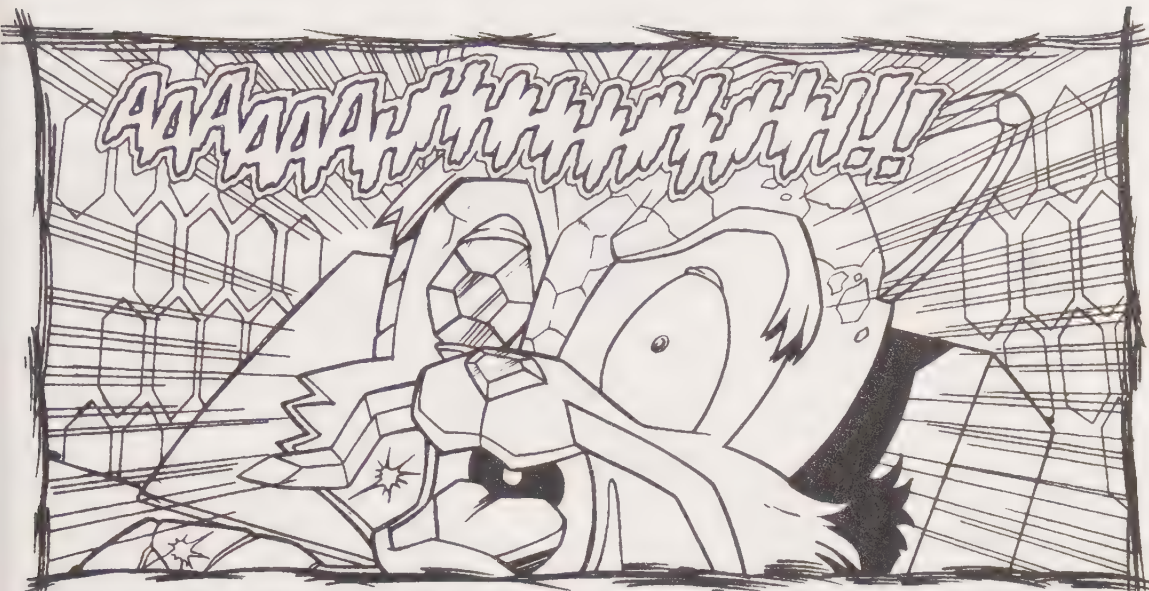


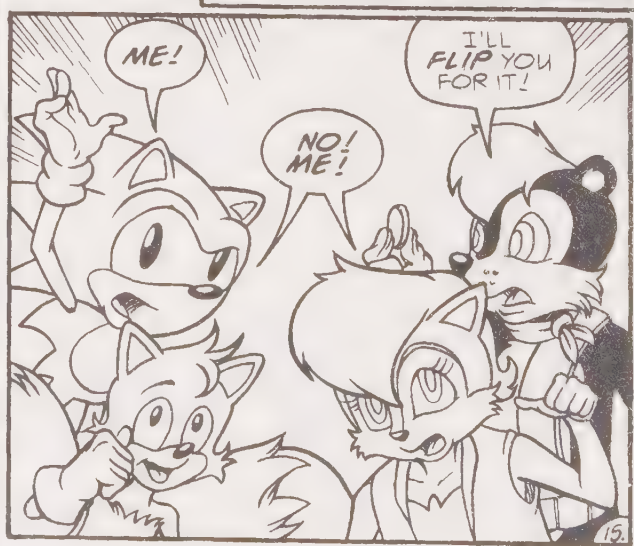
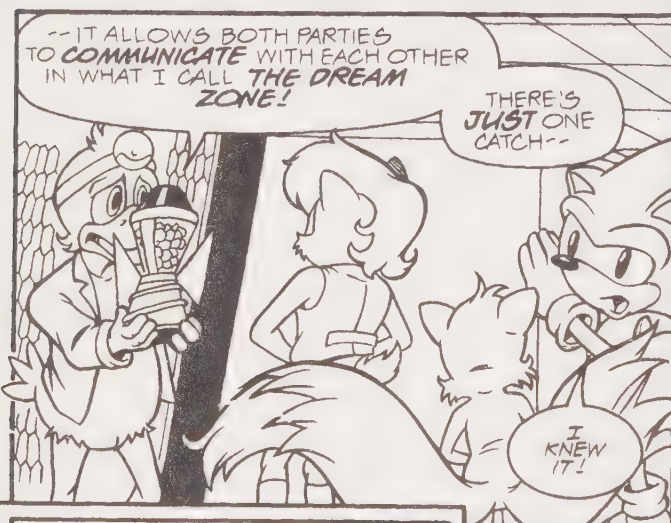
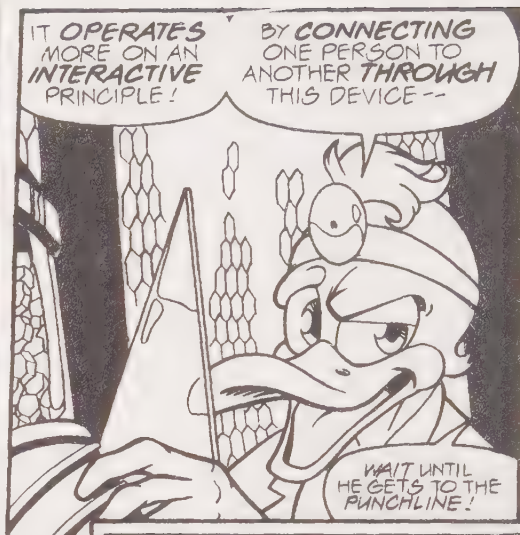
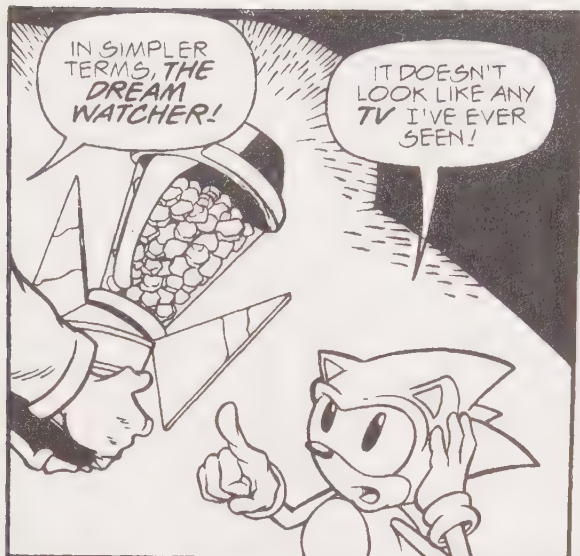


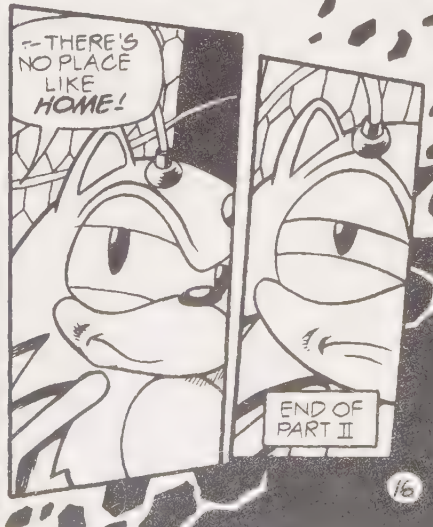
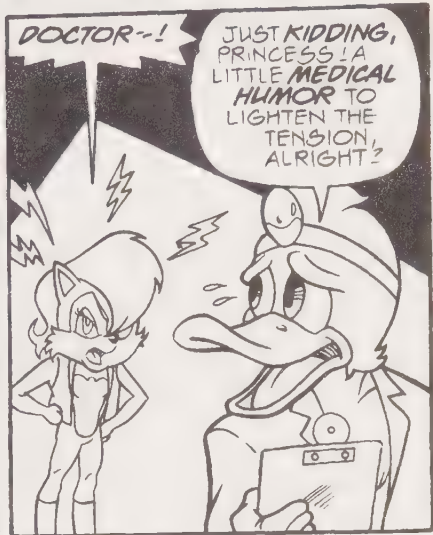
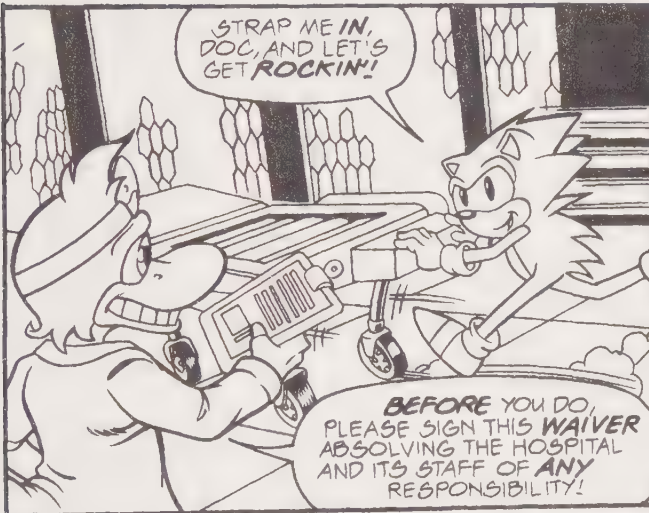
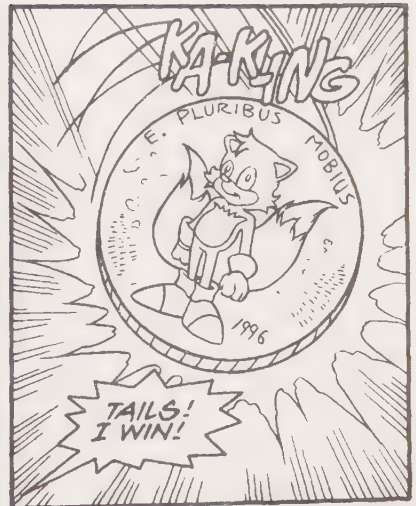
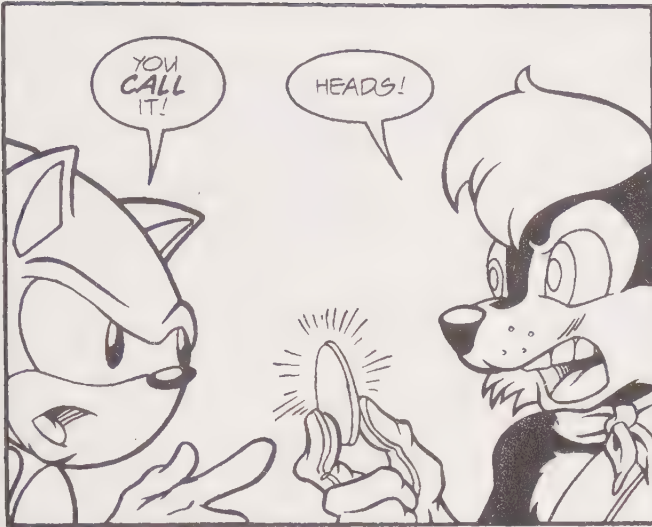
-- THAT WON'T BE POSSIBLE!

OPEN THE PORTAL!









I DON'T **BELIEVE**
IT! IT'S SIR CHARLES,
NEPHEW--

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

THE Dream ZONE PART THREE

BUT **WHAT**
IS HE **DOING**
HERE?

HOW **DID**
HE **FIND**
ME?

HOO BOY!
WASN'T **THAT** A
WILD, **STRANGE**
TRIP!

THAT MEDICINE
MALLARD'S DEVICE
REALLY **WORKS!**

FEELS SO
DREAMLIKE, YET
SO **REAL!**

KIND'A LIKE THAT
VIRTUAL REALITY ENVI-
RONMENT **ROBOTNIK** HAD
TRAPPED US IN!*

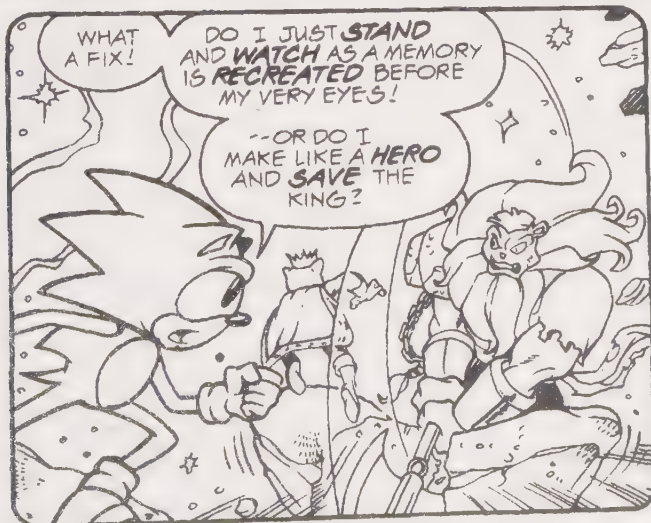
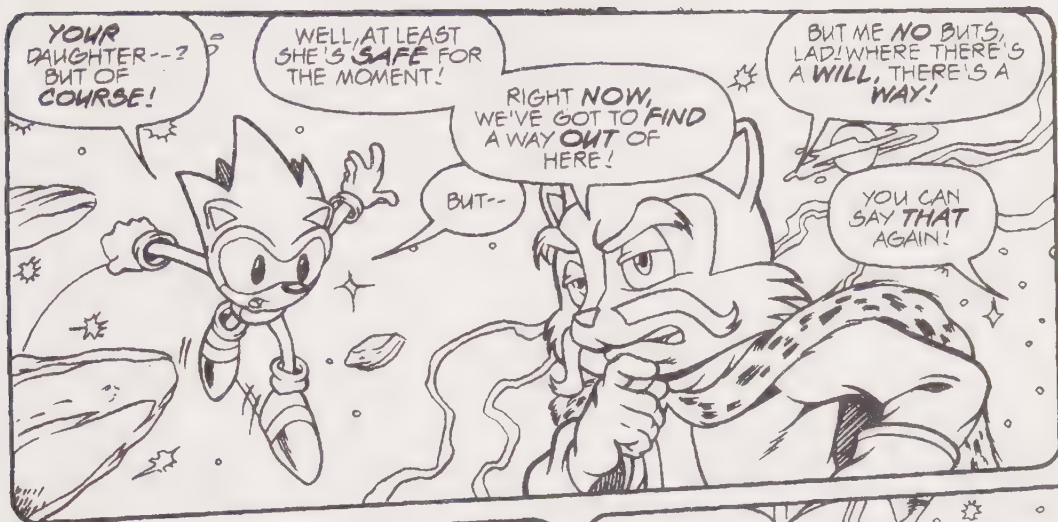
SO **ROBOTNIK**
TRAPPED YOU HERE
AS WELL?

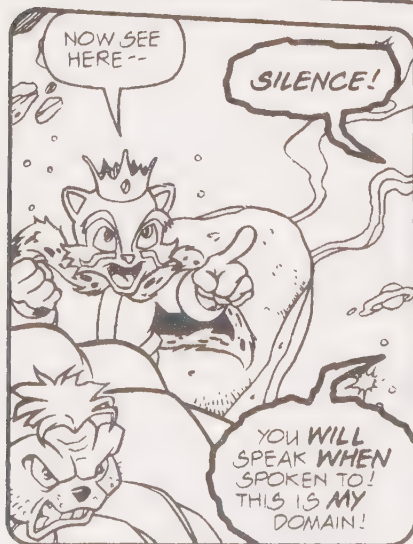
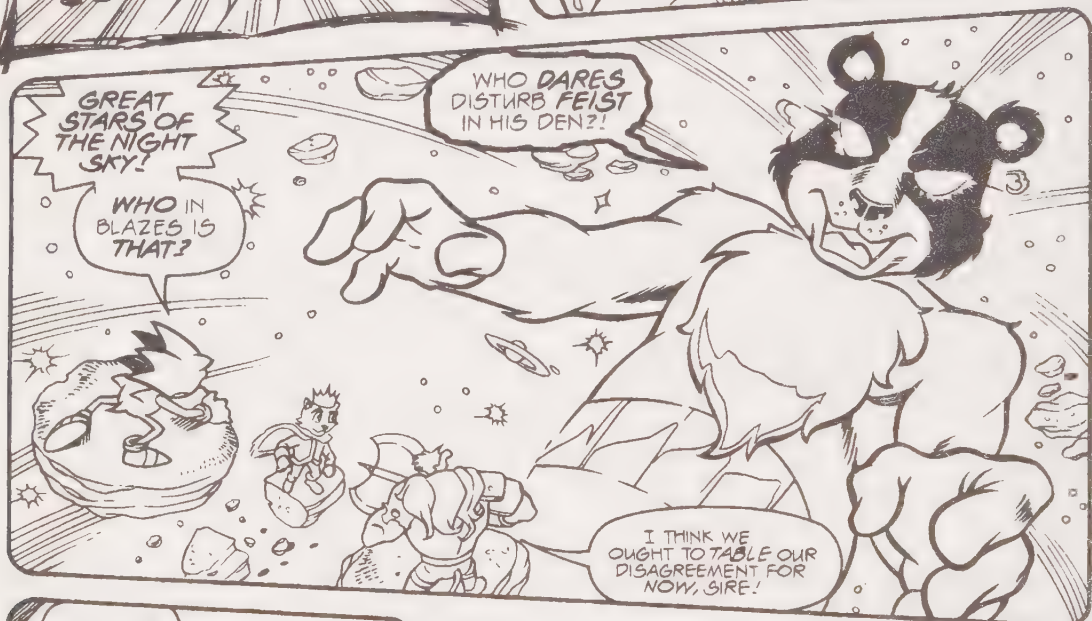
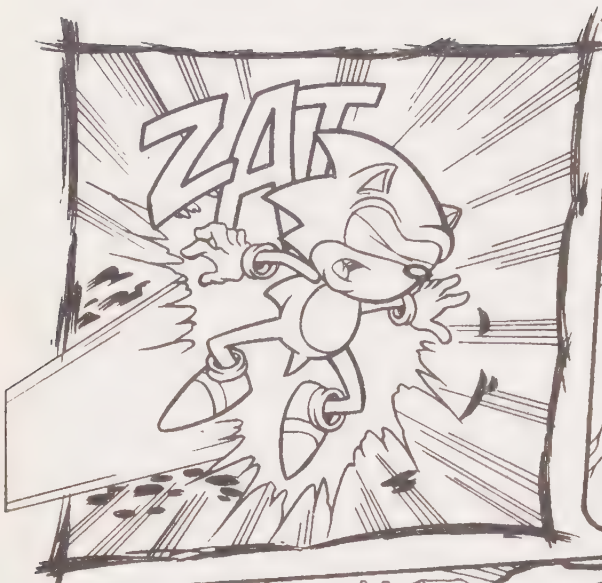
WHA--?
OH, **KING**
ACORN!

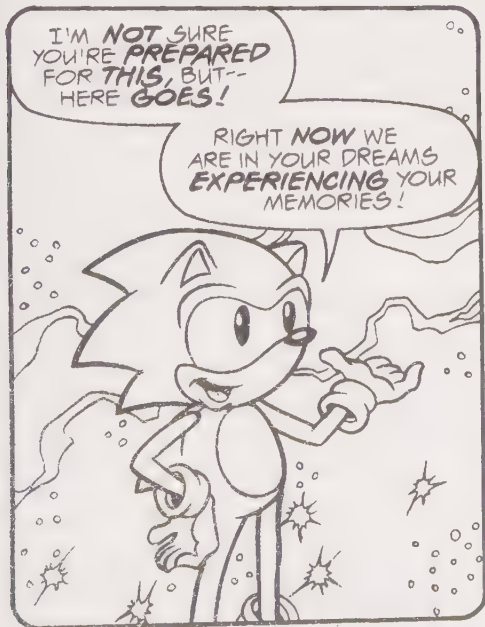
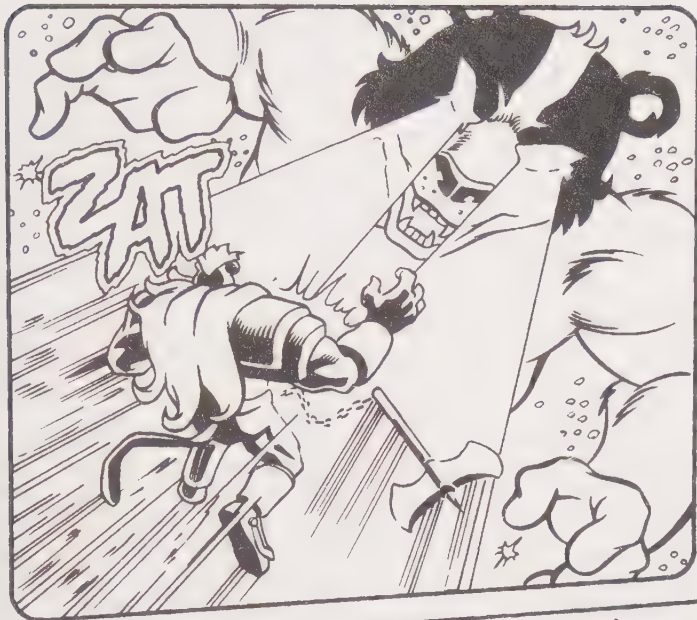
TELL ME,
SONIC, IS MY
DAUGHTER
ALRIGHT?

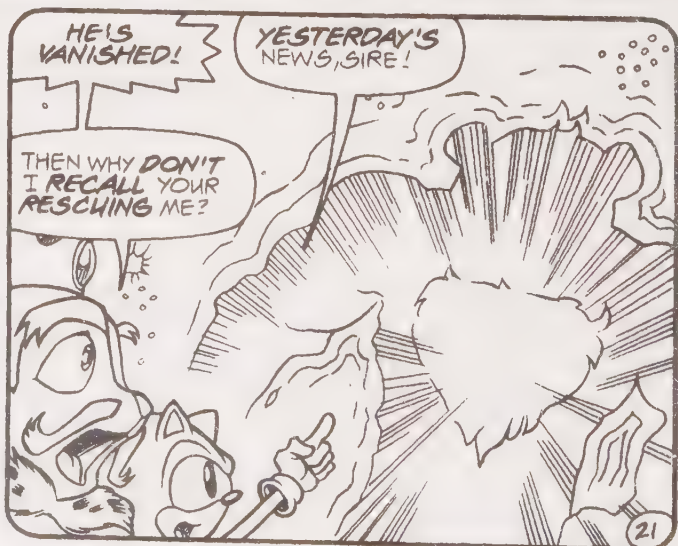
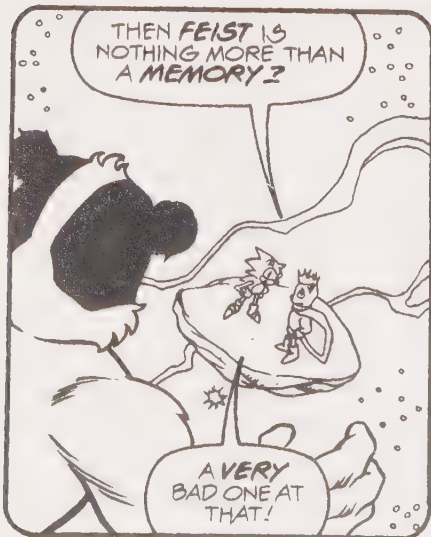
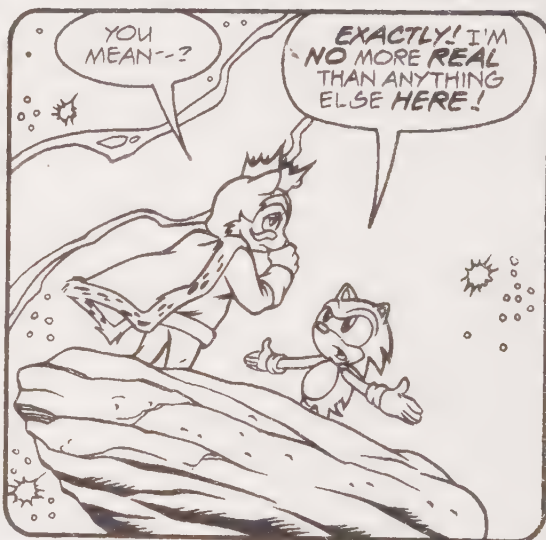
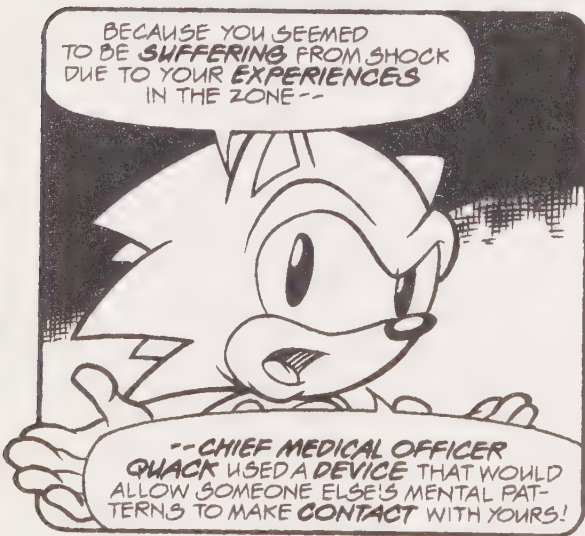
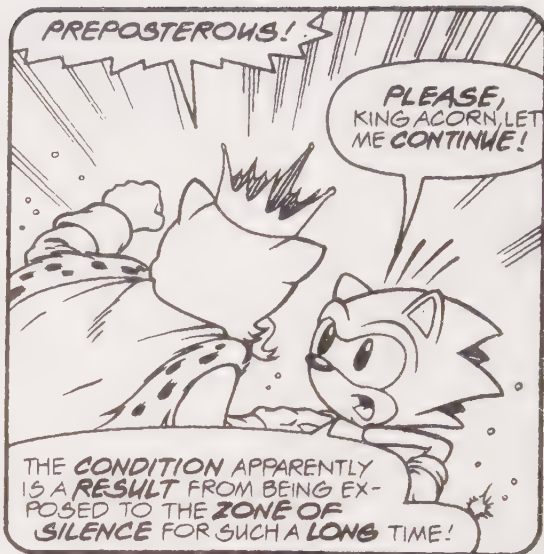
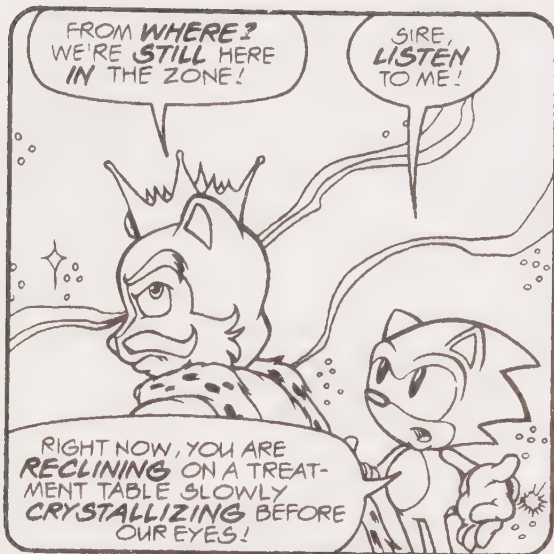
*WAY BACK IN SONIC #16, REMEMBER?--EDITOR

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YOU HAD **LOST**
YOUR MEMORY, NO
DOUBT AS A RESULT OF
YOUR **ENCOUNTER**
WITH FEIST!

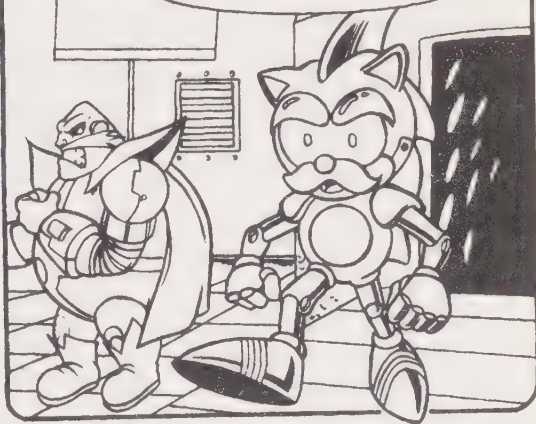
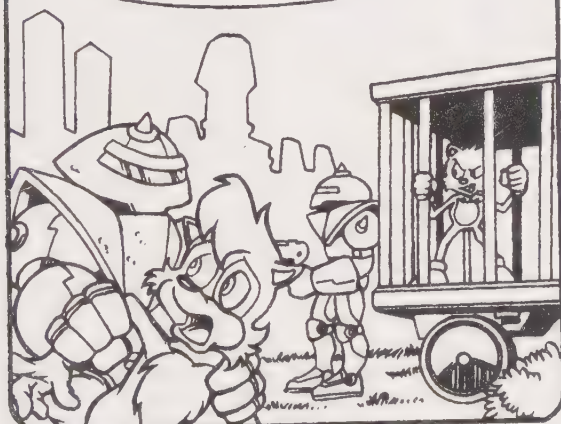
SO I DIDN'T
EVEN KNOW YOU
WHEN YOU FOUND
ME?

YOU DIDN'T **EVEN**
KNOW YOUR OWN
DAUGHTER!

AND
ROBOTNIK?
WHAT'S HAPPENED
SINCE I WAS IN
THE ZONE?

ROBOTNIK SENT
OUT HIS **ROBOT** ARMY
TO **CAPTURE** ALL THE
CITIZENS OF
MOBOTROPOLIS!

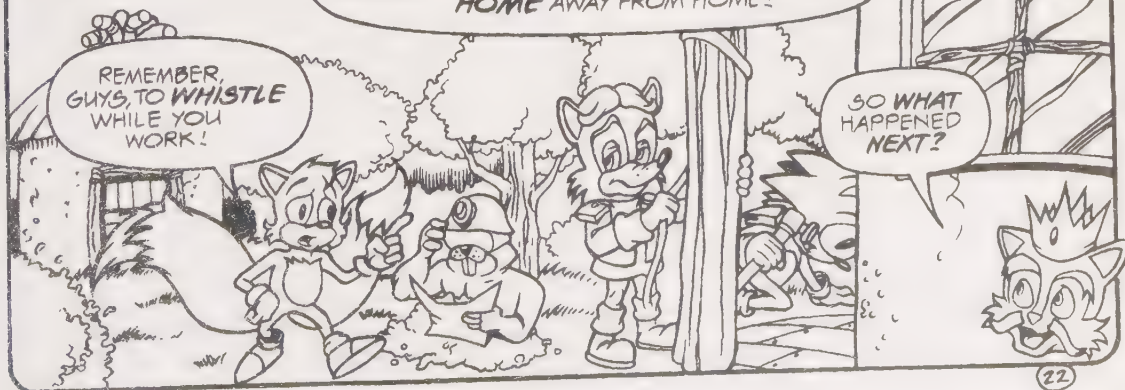
THEN, HE WOULD SEND
THEM INTO HIS **ROBOT-**
ICIZER, WHICH **TRANS-**
FORMED THEM INTO
MINDLESS ROBOT
SLAVES!

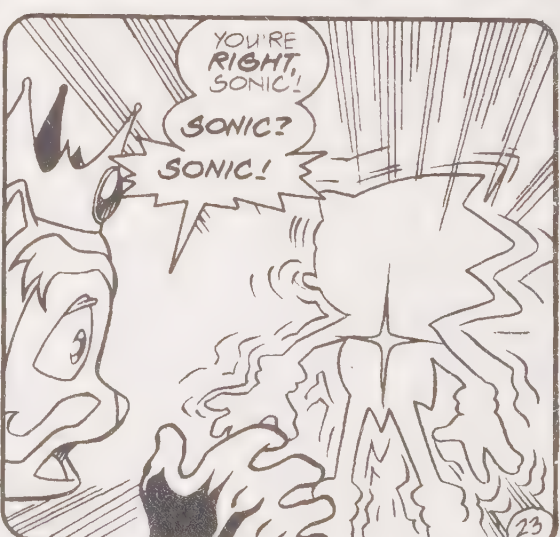
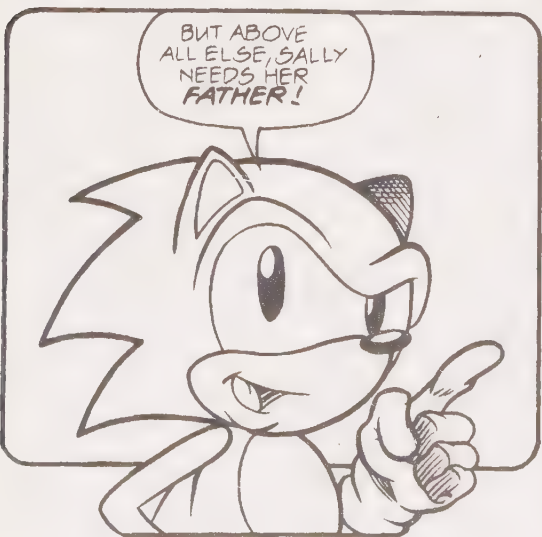
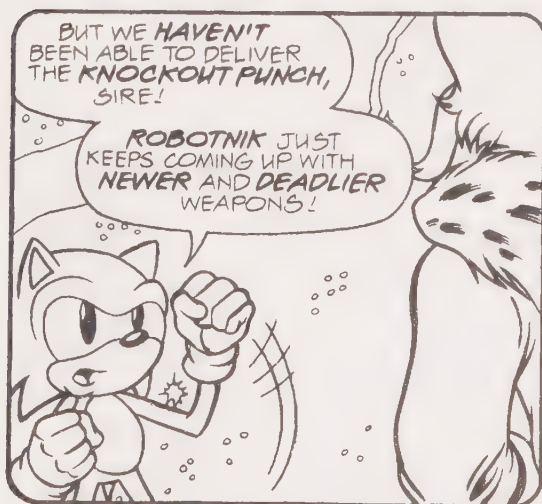
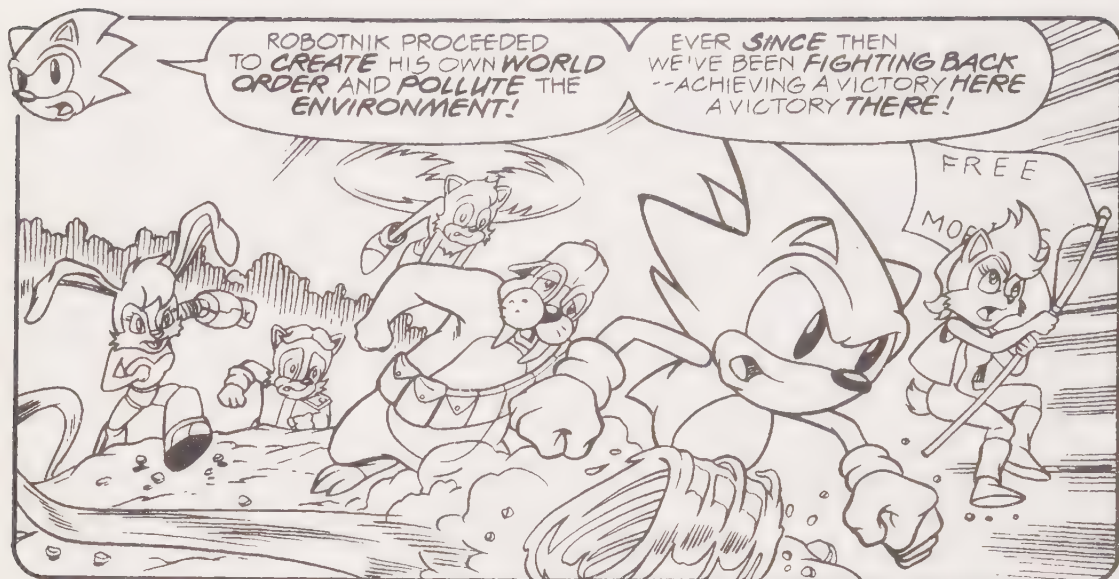


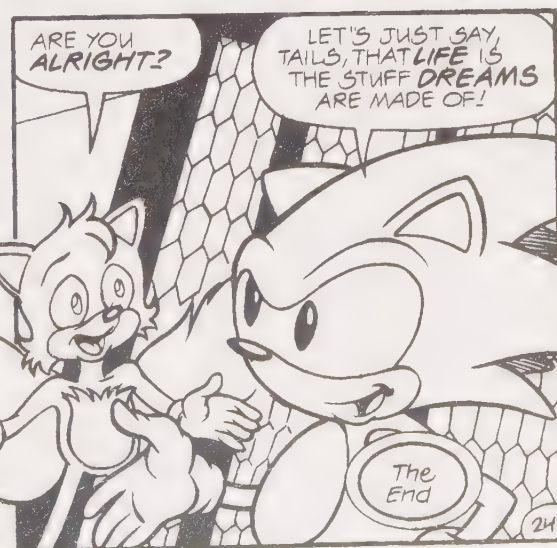
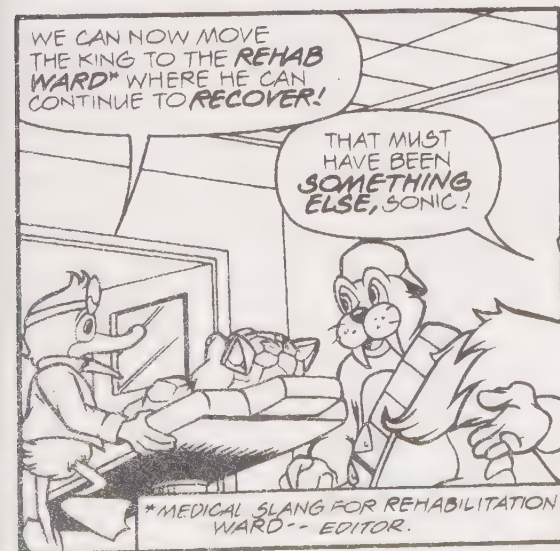
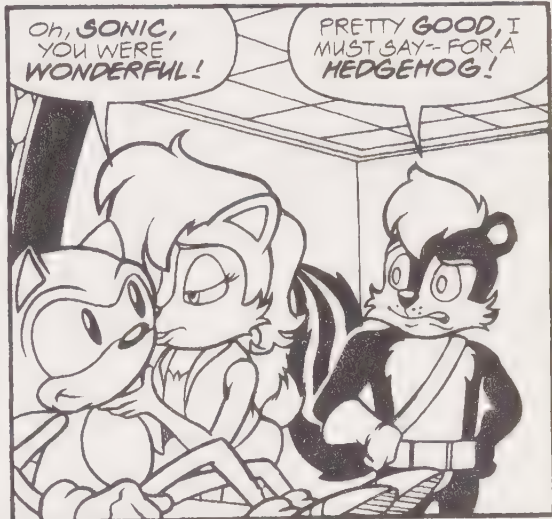
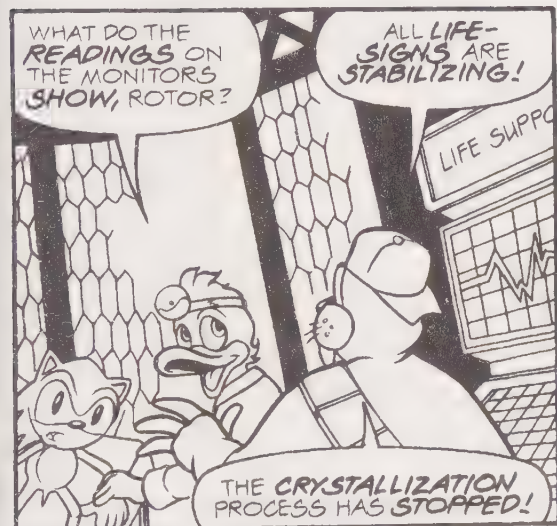
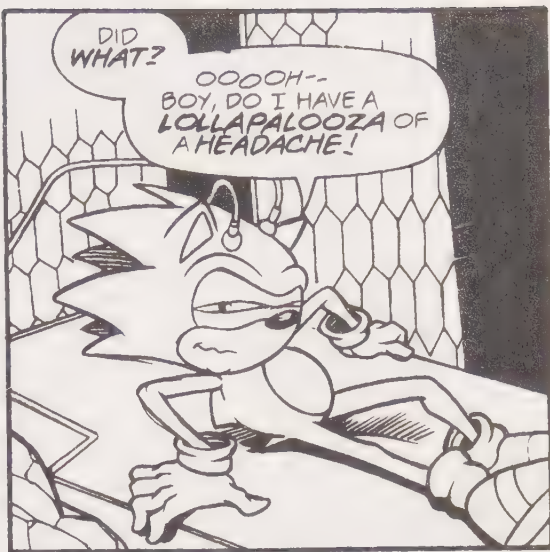
SOME OF US MANAGED TO MAKE
OUR WAY INTO THE **GREAT FOREST** WHERE
WE SET UP **KNOTHOLE VILLAGE**-- OUR
BASE OF OPERATIONS AS WELL AS OUR
HOME AWAY FROM HOME!

REMEMBER,
GUYS, TO **WHISTLE**
WHILE YOU
WORK!

SO WHAT
HAPPENED
NEXT?





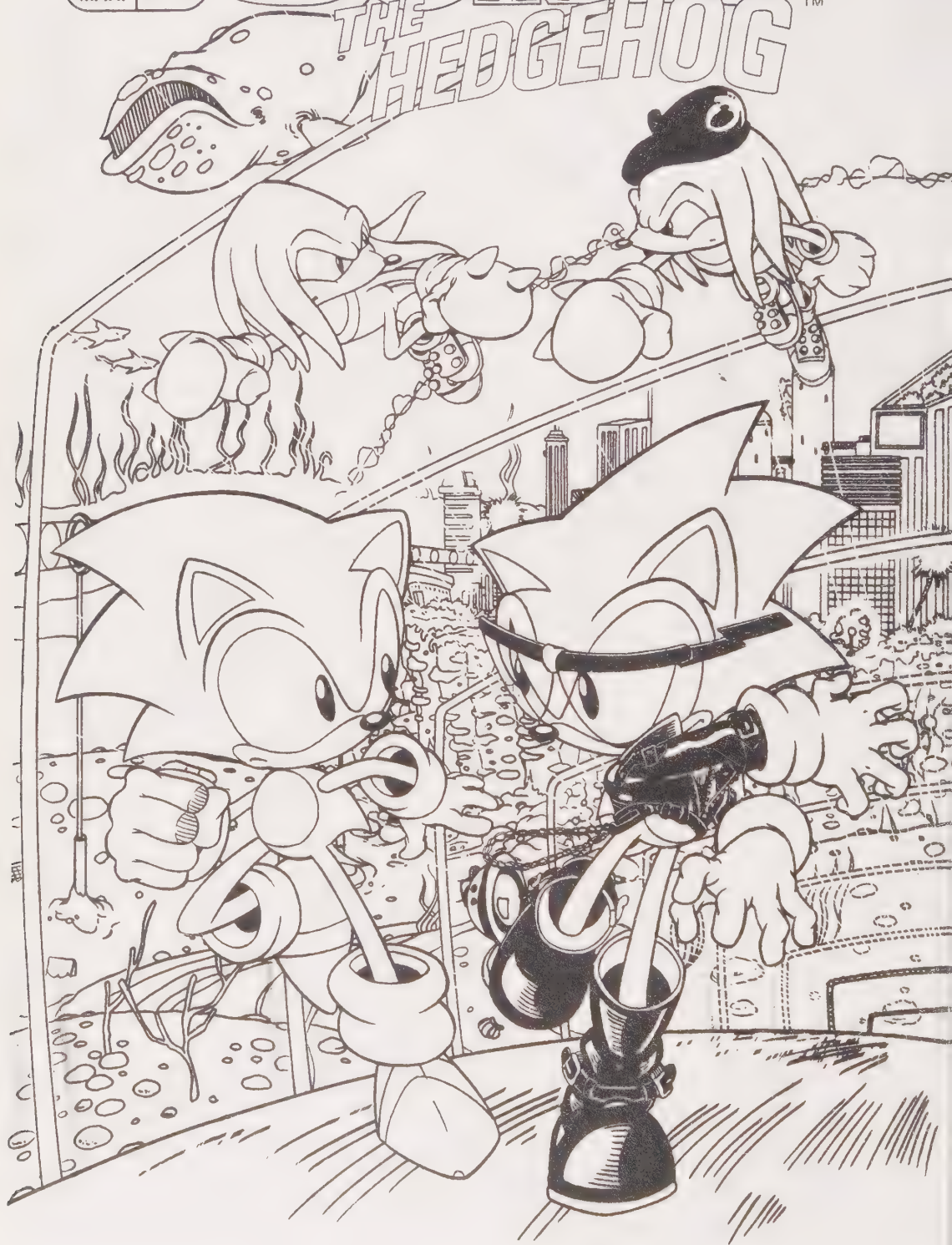


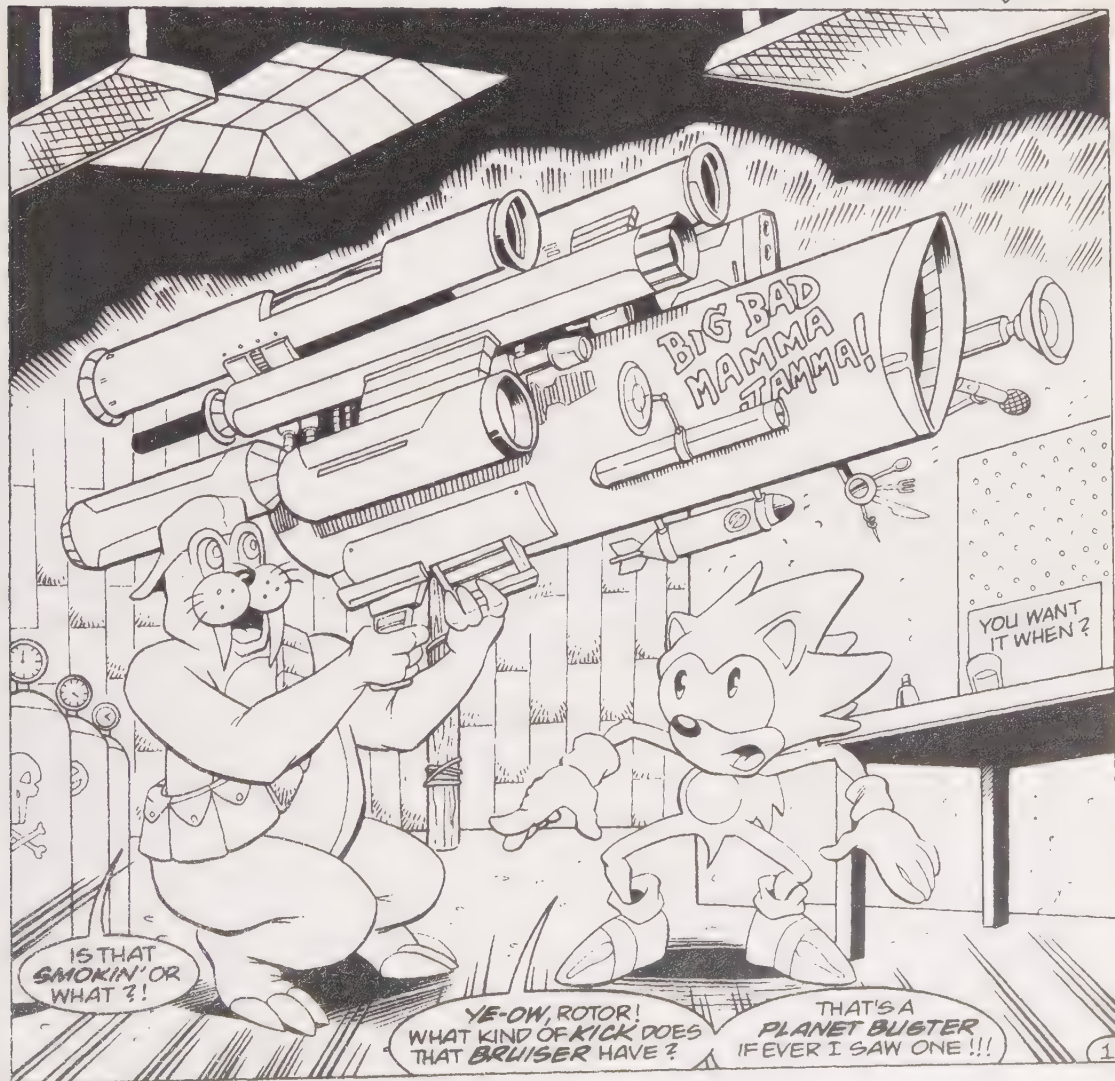
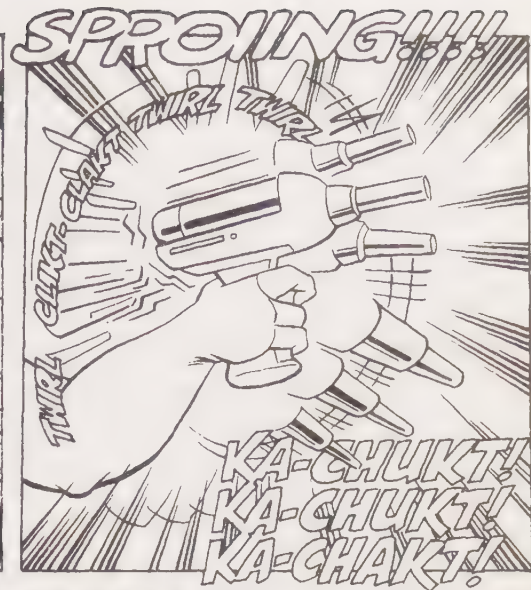
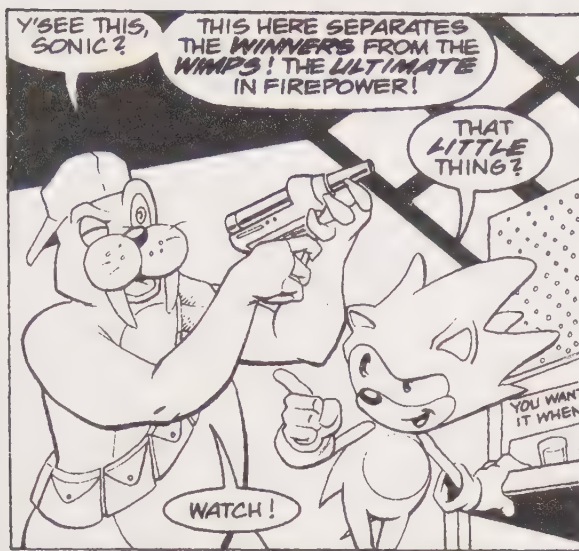
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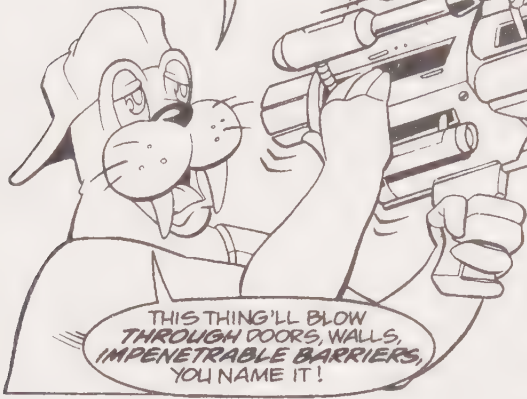
THE HEDGEHOG™

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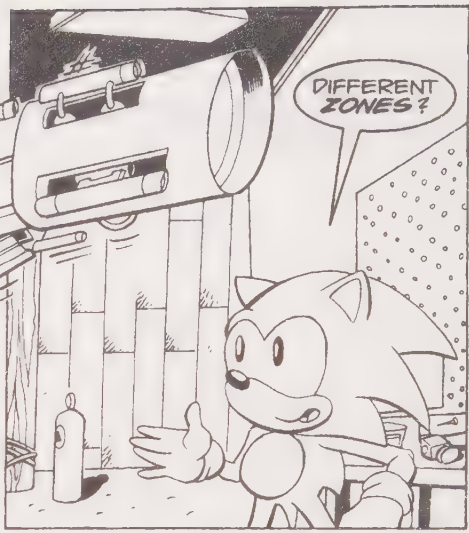




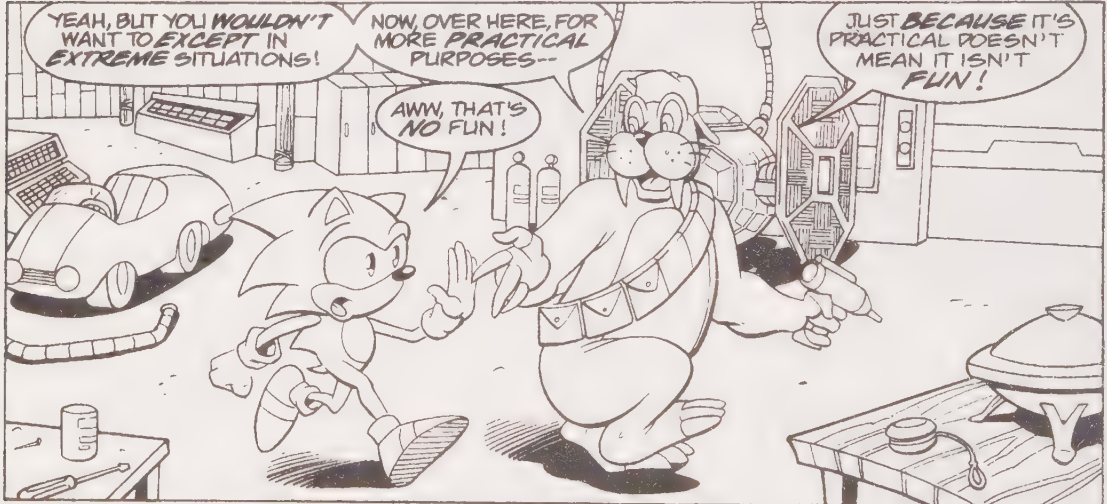
ACTUALLY, IT'S
MY PARTY-HEARTY
QUADRA-SONIC
ROCK 'N' ROLLER!



THIS THING'LL BLOW
THROUGH DOORS, WALLS,
IMPENETRABLE BARRIERS,
YOU NAME IT!



DIFFERENT
ZONES?



YEAH, BUT YOU WOULDN'T
WANT TO EXCEPT IN
EXTREME SITUATIONS!

NOW, OVER HERE, FOR
MORE PRACTICAL
PURPOSES--

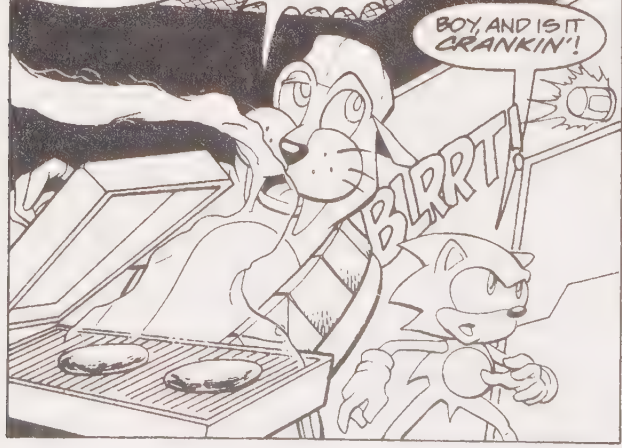
AWW, THAT'S
NO FUN!

JUST BECAUSE IT'S
PRACTICAL DOESN'T
MEAN IT ISN'T
FUN!

AND THE DAY
EATING QUILTS
BEING FUN--

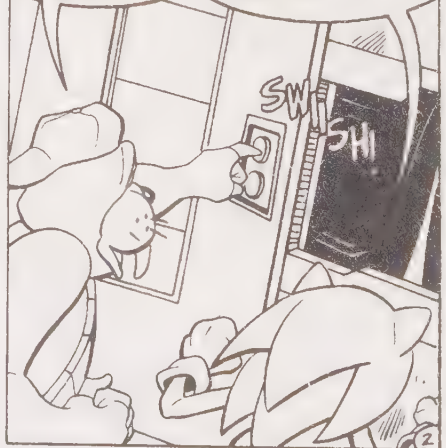
HOLD IT!
THE
ALARM!

BOY, AND IS IT
CRANKIN'!



LET'S SEE WHAT
THE BOARD
SAYS!

MAYBE SOMEBODY
TRIPPED OVER A
LOST SWATBOT!



IT'S WORSE THAN THAT

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

BLACK AND BLUE AND RED ALL OVER

PART I

MUCH WORSE!

ACCORDING TO
THIS, SOMETHING
CATASTROPHIC
IS HAPPENING ON
THE FLOATING
ISLAND!



Y'MEAN
KNUCKLES
IS IN
TROUBLE!

KEN PENDERS WRITES IT--MANNY GALAN PENCILS IT--ANDREW PEPOY INKS IT--VICKIE WILLIAMS LETTERS IT--
BARRY GROSSMAN COVERS IT--JUSTIN "FREDDY" GABRIE EDITS IT--VICTOR SORELICK MNG. EDITOR--RICHARD GOLDWATER CHIEF

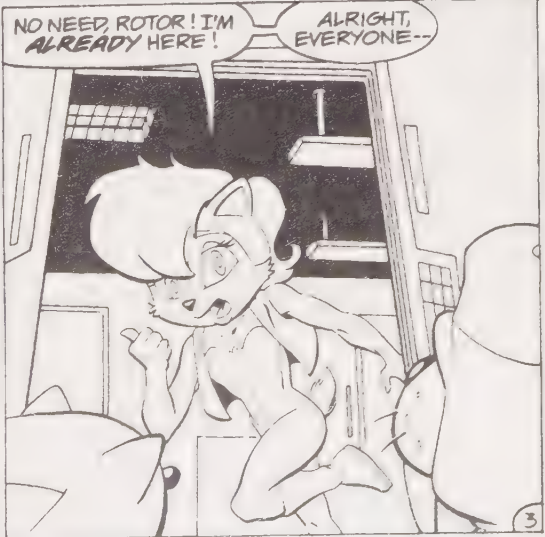
WELL, THAT'S
ONE WAY OF
PUTTING IT,
SONIC!

I'D BETTER
ALERT THE
PRINCESS!

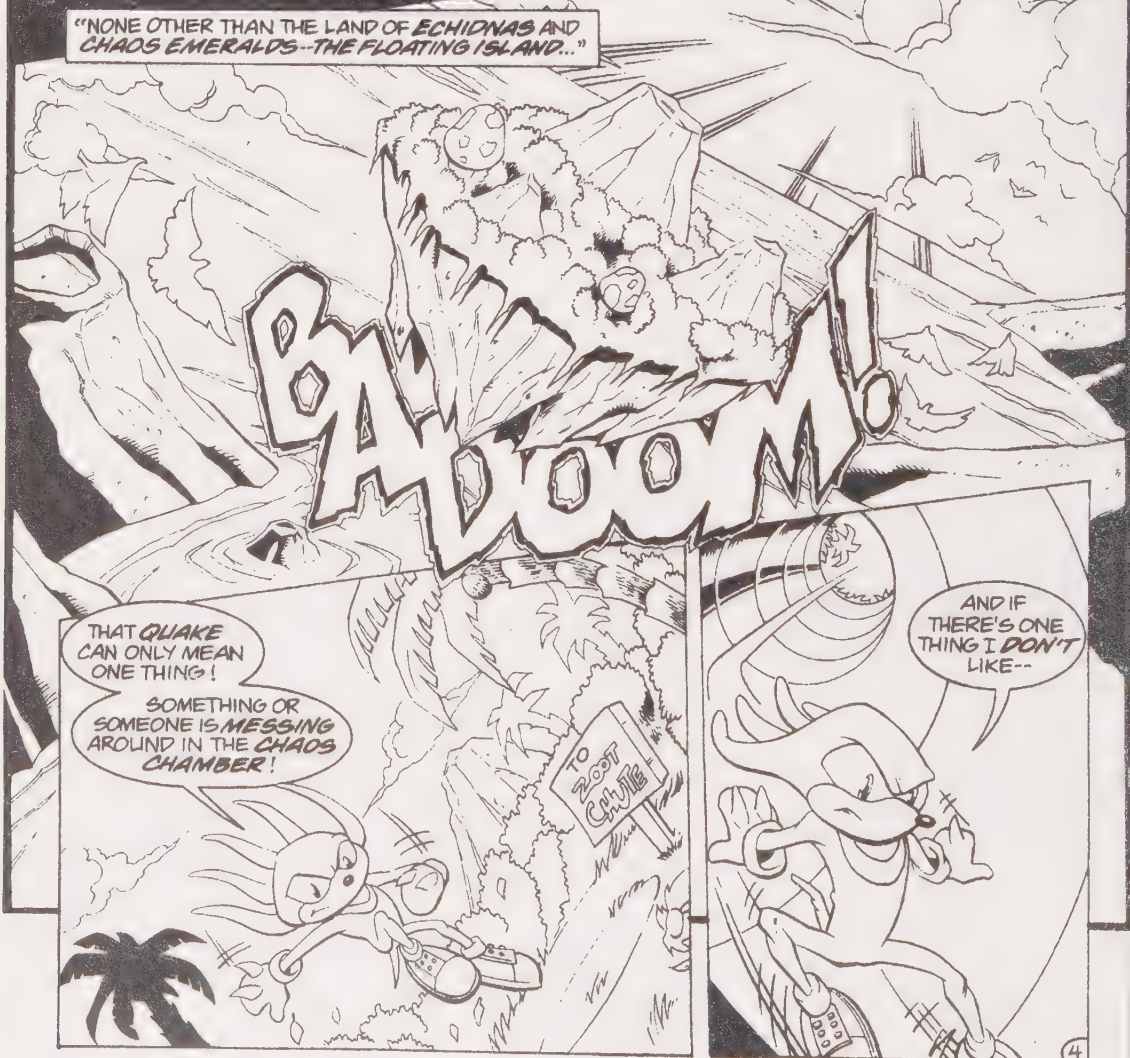
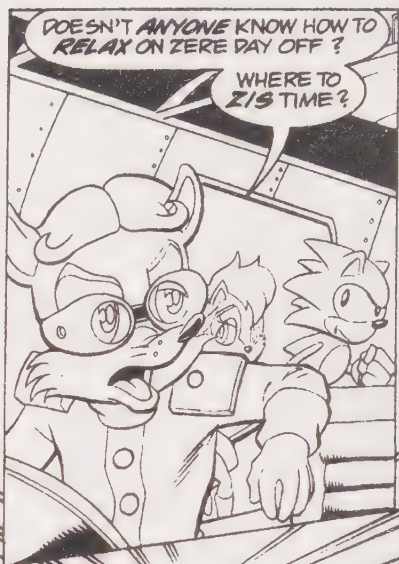
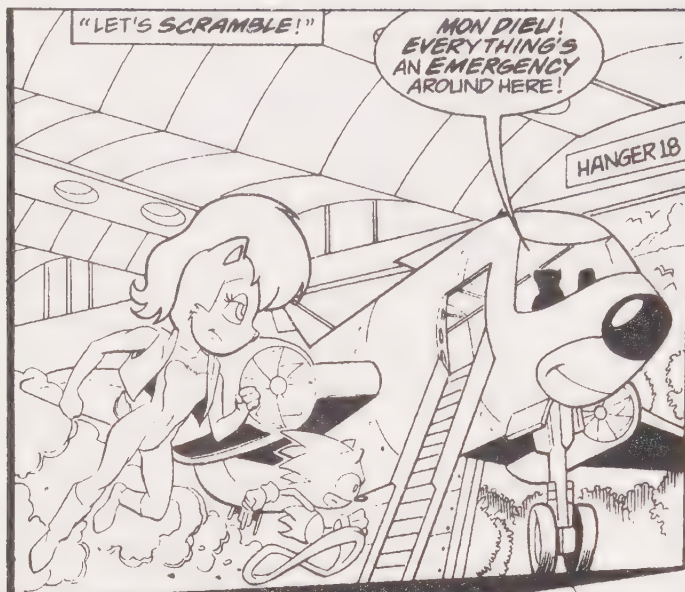


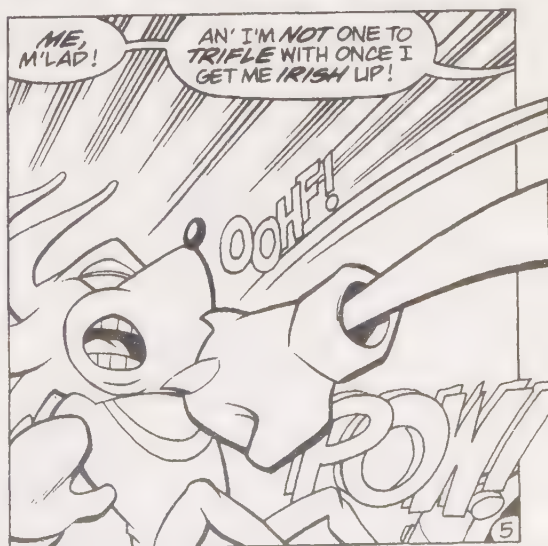
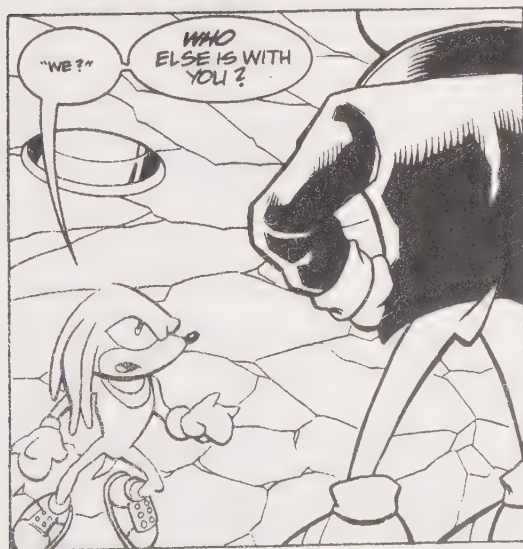
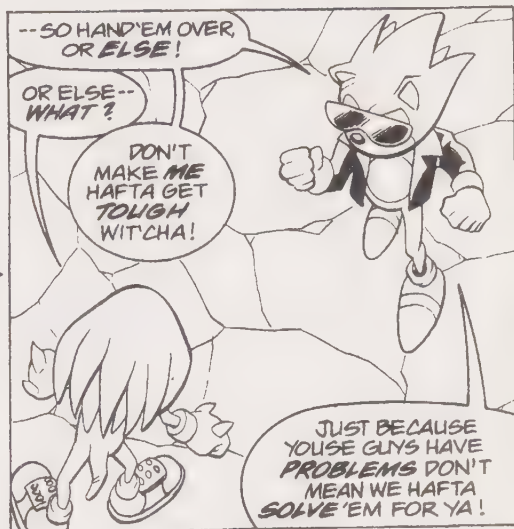
NO NEED, ROTOR! I'M
ALREADY HERE!

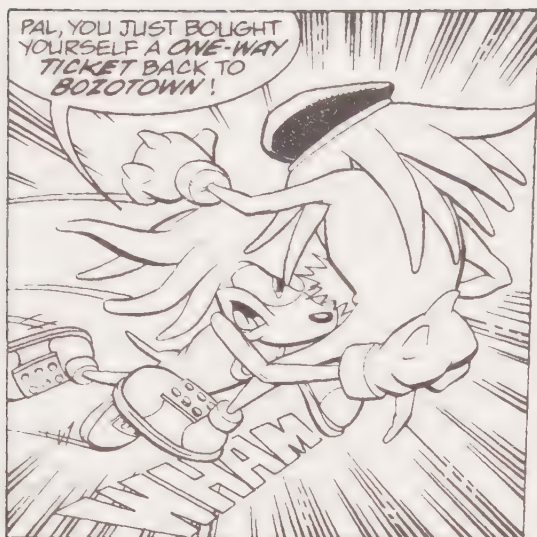
ALRIGHT,
EVERYONE--



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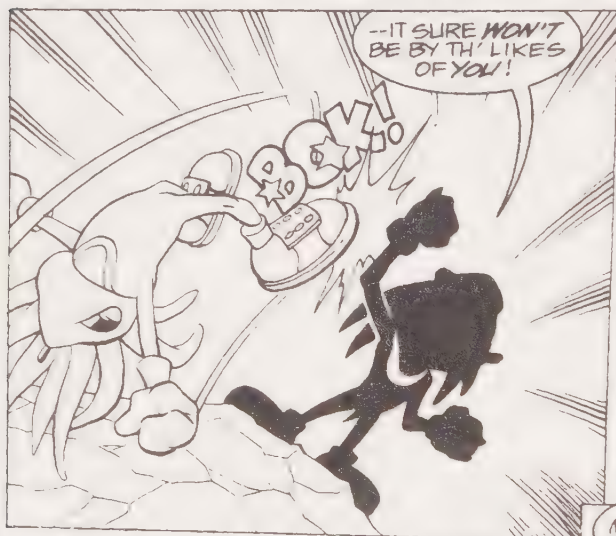


PAL, YOU JUST BOUGHT YOURSELF A ONE-WAY TICKET BACK TO BOZOTOWN!



IF ANYONE IS GONNA BE PUNCHING MY TICKET--

THOK!

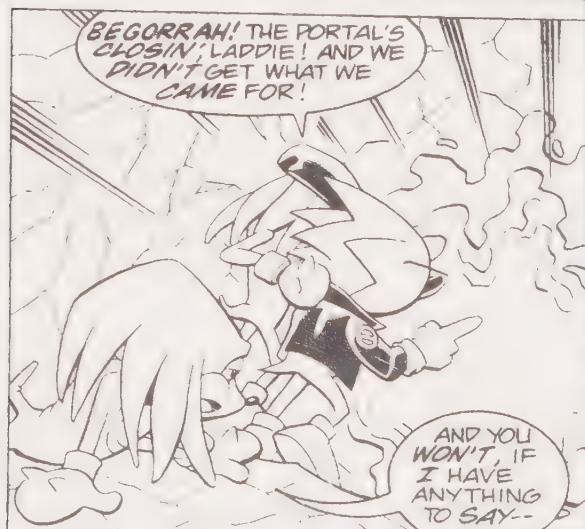


--IT SURE WON'T BE BY TH' LIKES OF YOU!



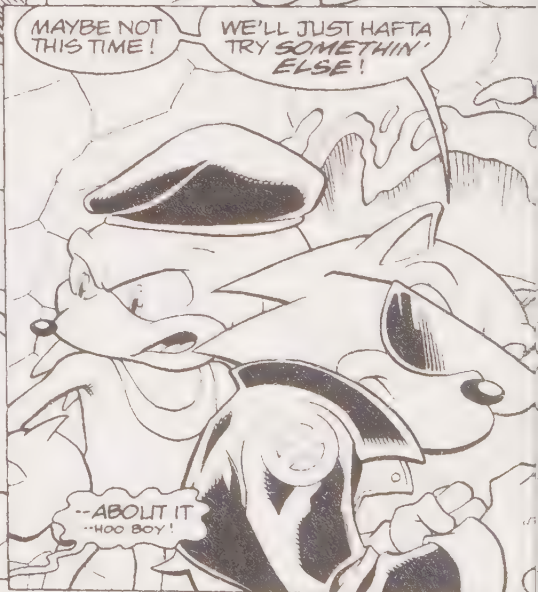
WOOF!

SLAM!



BEGORRAH! THE PORTAL'S CLOSIN' LADDIE! AND WE DIDN'T GET WHAT WE CAME FOR!

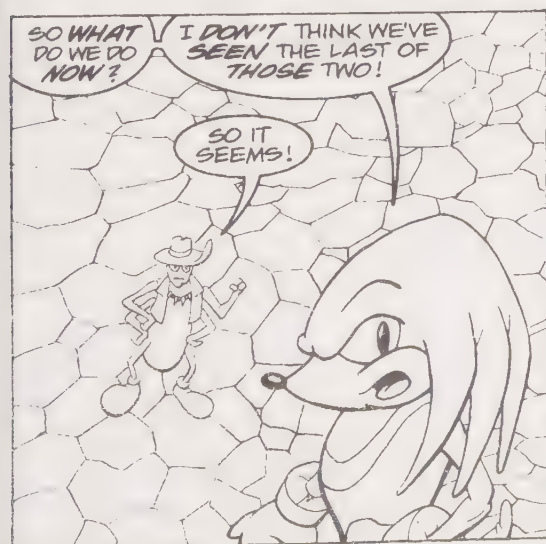
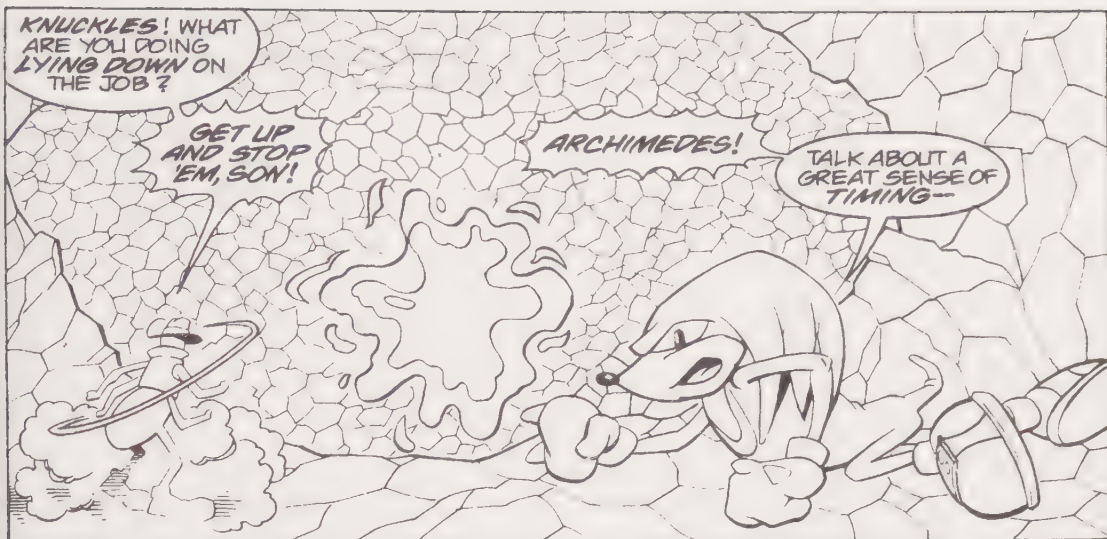
AND YOU WON'T, IF I HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY--

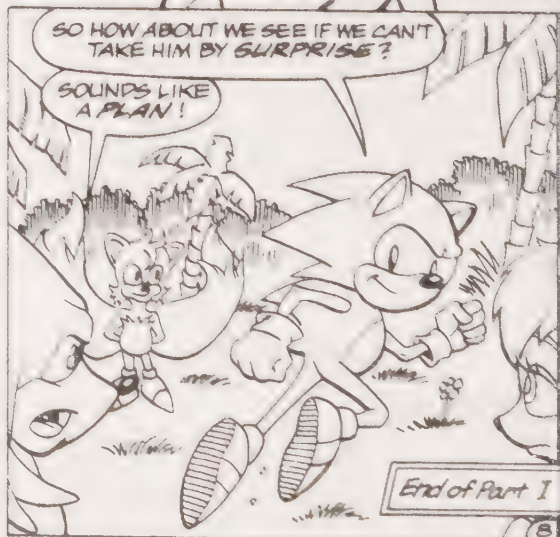
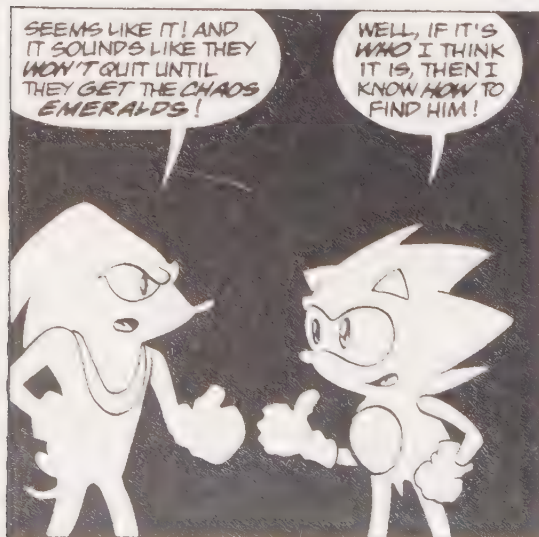
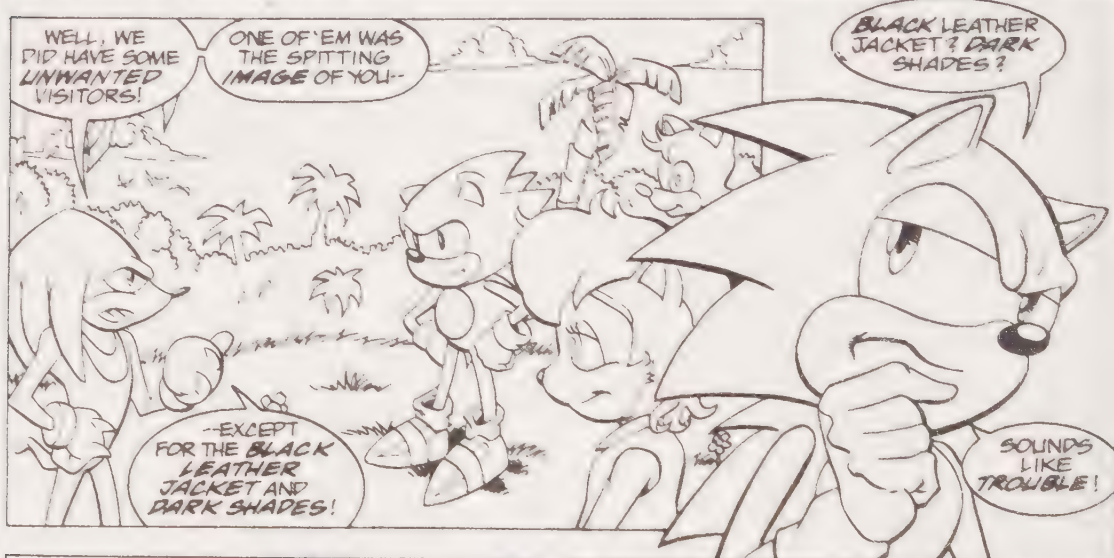


MAYBE NOT THIS TIME!

WE'LL JUST HAFTA TRY SOMETHIN' ELSE!

--ABOUT IT --HOO BOY!





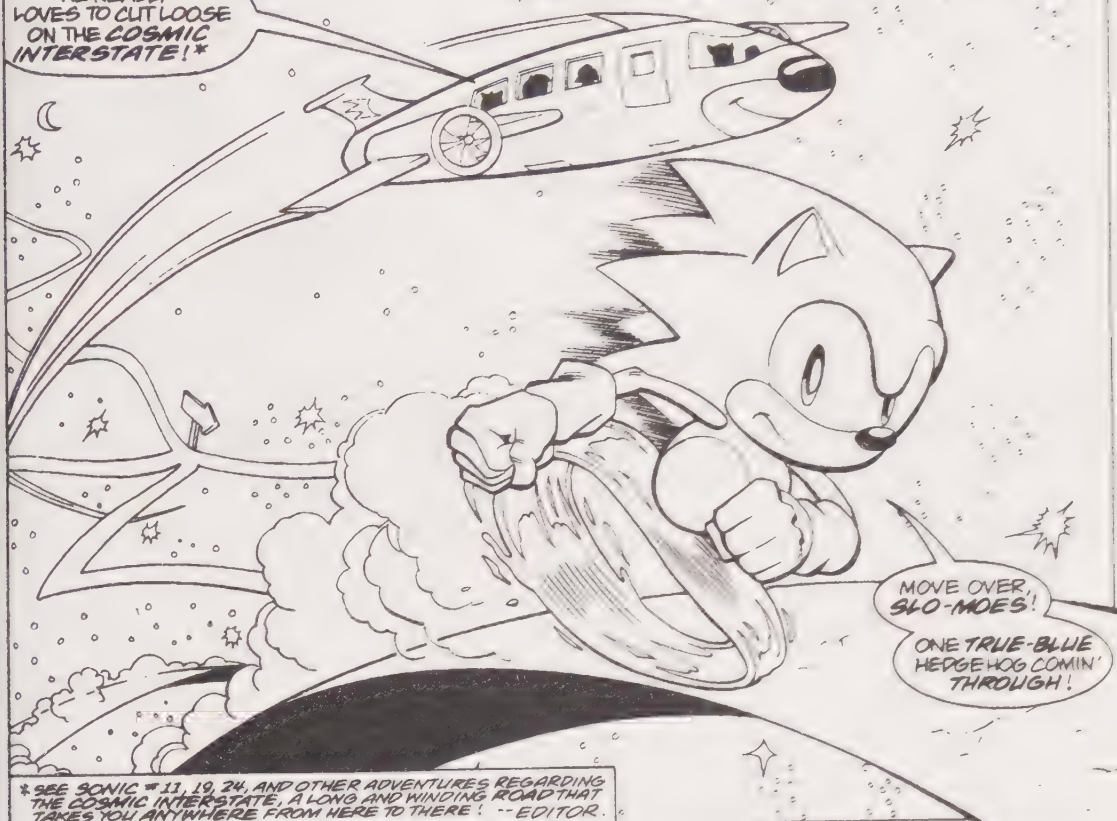
LOOK AT

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™ GO!

HE REALLY
LOVES TO CLUT LOOSE
ON THE COSMIC
INTERSTATE!*

BLACK AND BLUE AND RED ALL OVER

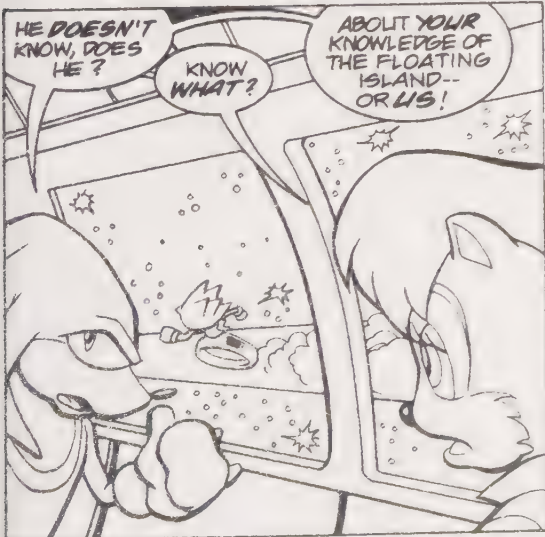
PART II



MOVE OVER,
SLO-MOES!

ONE TRUE-BLUE
HEDGEHOG COMIN'
THROUGH!

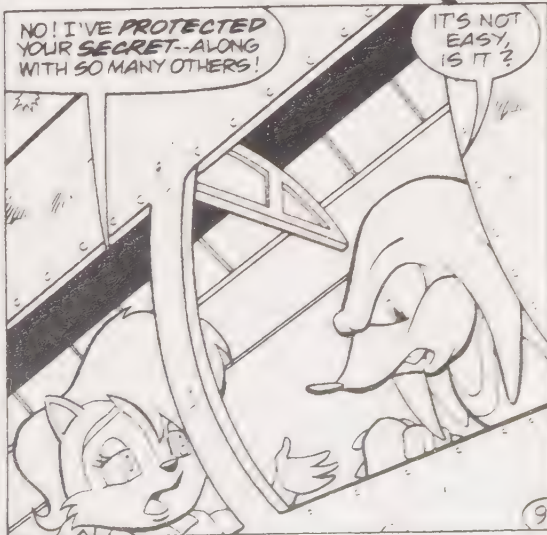
*SEE SONIC #11, 19, 24, AND OTHER ADVENTURES REGARDING
THE COSMIC INTERSTATE, A LONG AND WINDING ROAD THAT
TAKES YOU ANYWHERE FROM HERE TO THERE! -- EDITOR.



HE DOESN'T
KNOW, DOES
HE?

KNOW
WHAT?

ABOUT YOUR
KNOWLEDGE OF
THE FLOATING
ISLAND--
OR US!

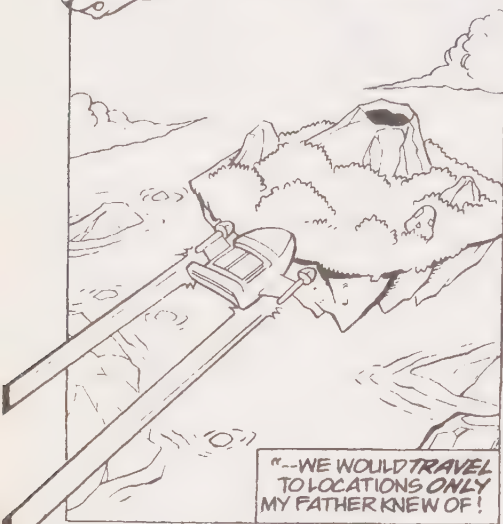


NO! I'VE PROTECTED
YOUR SECRET--ALONG
WITH SO MANY OTHERS!

IT'S NOT
EASY,
IS IT?

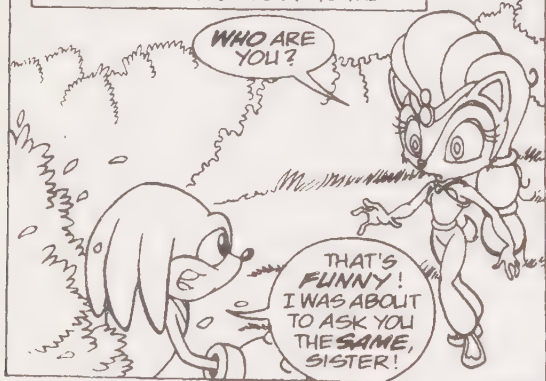


NO, BEING THE DAUGHTER OF A KING NEVER IS! EVEN WHEN ON A VACATION--



--WE WOULD TRAVEL TO LOCATIONS ONLY MY FATHER KNEW OF!

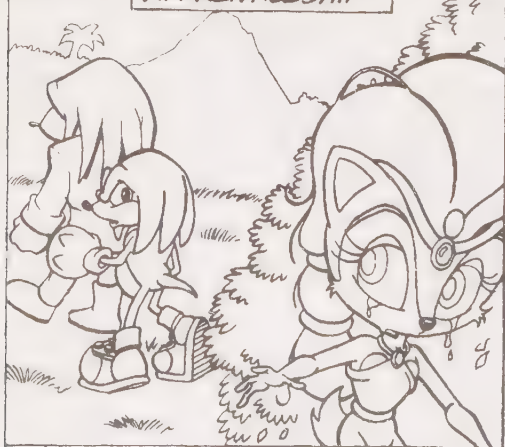
--IT WAS ONLY AFTER I WANDERED OFF ON MY OWN THAT YOU REVEALED YOURSELF TO ME--



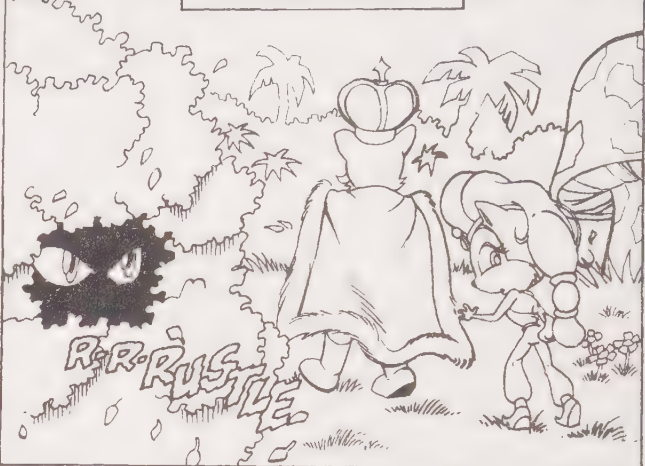
WHO ARE YOU?

THAT'S FUNNY! I WAS ABOUT TO ASK YOU THE SAME, SISTER!

UNFORTUNATELY, I COULDN'T TALK ABOUT YOU TO ANYONE, LEST YOUR FATHER DISCOVER YOU BROKE THE RULES OF YOUR APPRENTICESHIP--

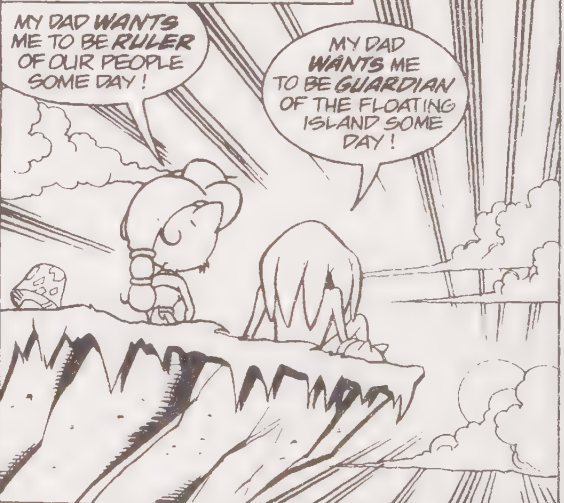


"WHEN WE ARRIVED ON THE FLOATING ISLAND, I THOUGHT WE WERE ALONE UNTIL I HEARD A SLIGHT RUSTLING IN THE NEARBY BUSHES--



R-R-RUSTLE

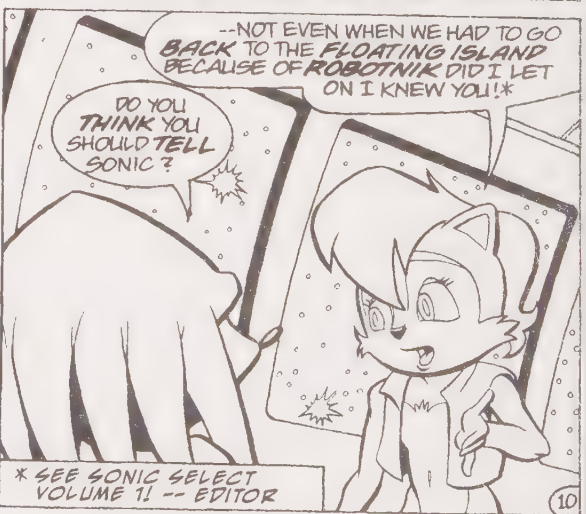
WE DISCOVERED WE BOTH HAD A GREAT DEAL IN COMMON--



MY DAD WANTS ME TO BE RULER OF OUR PEOPLE SOME DAY!

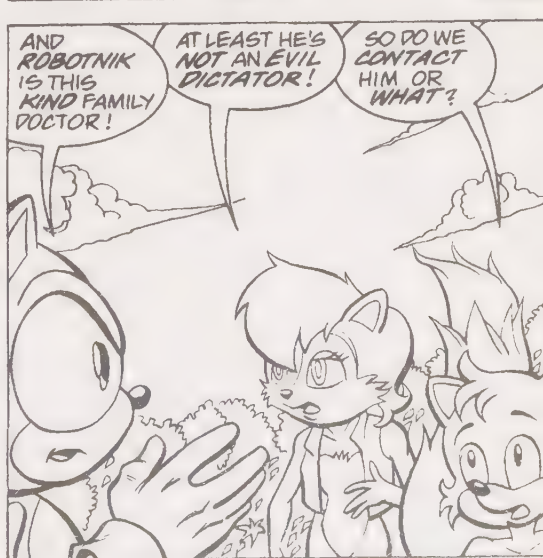
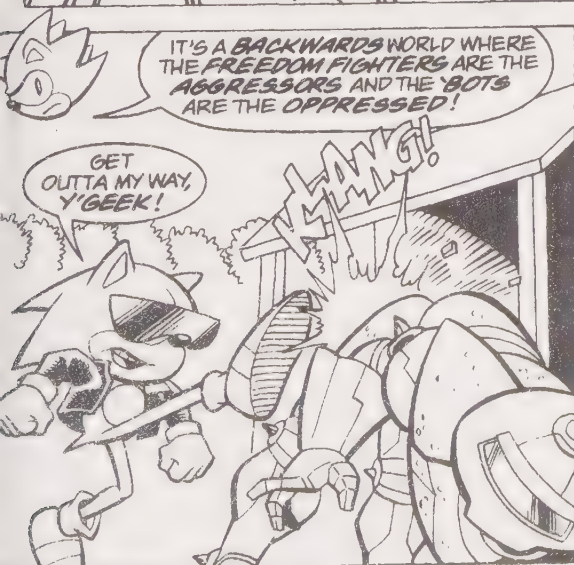
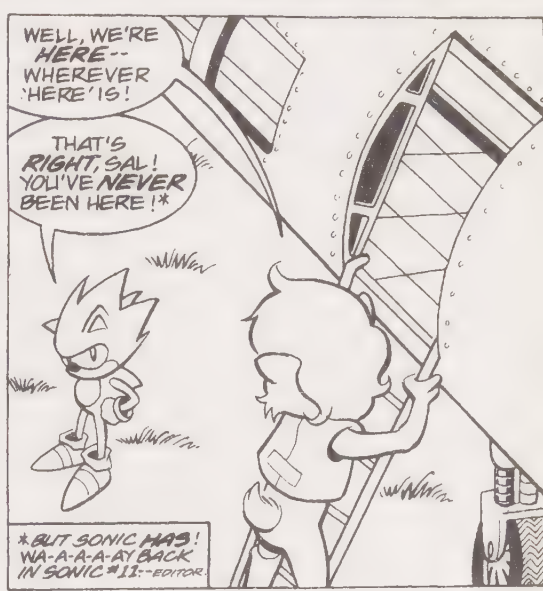
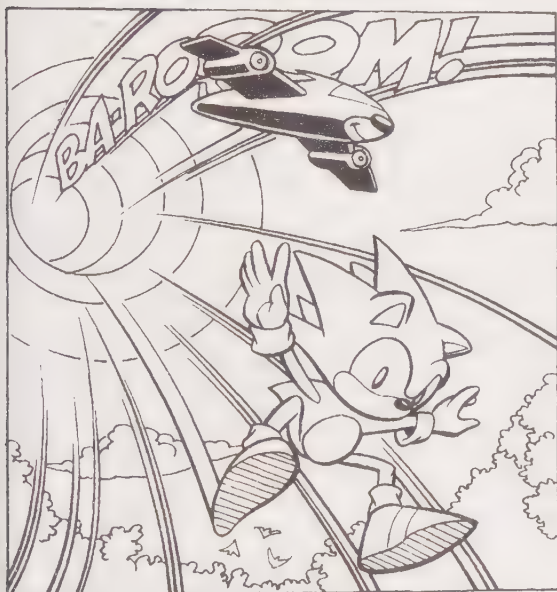
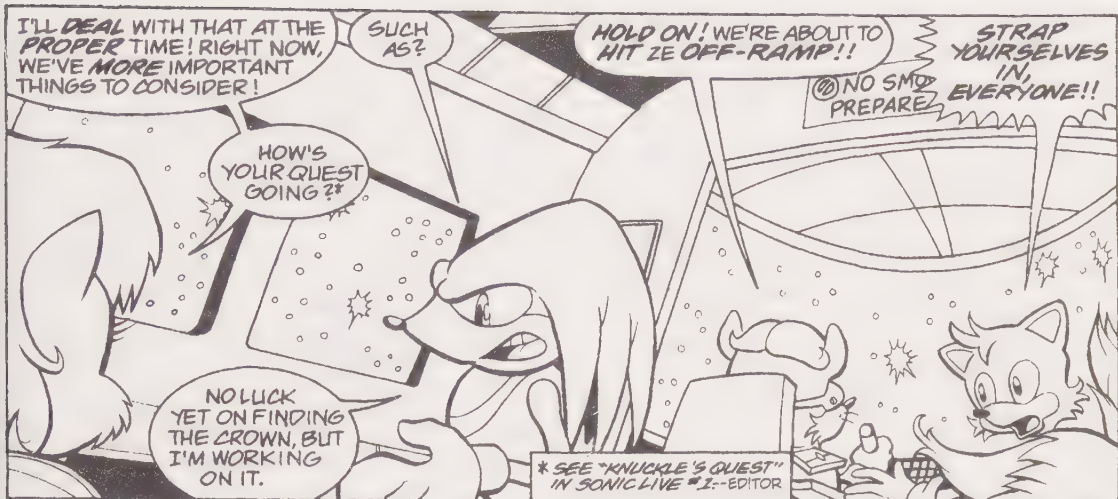
MY DAD WANTS ME TO BE GUARDIAN OF THE FLOATING ISLAND SOME DAY!

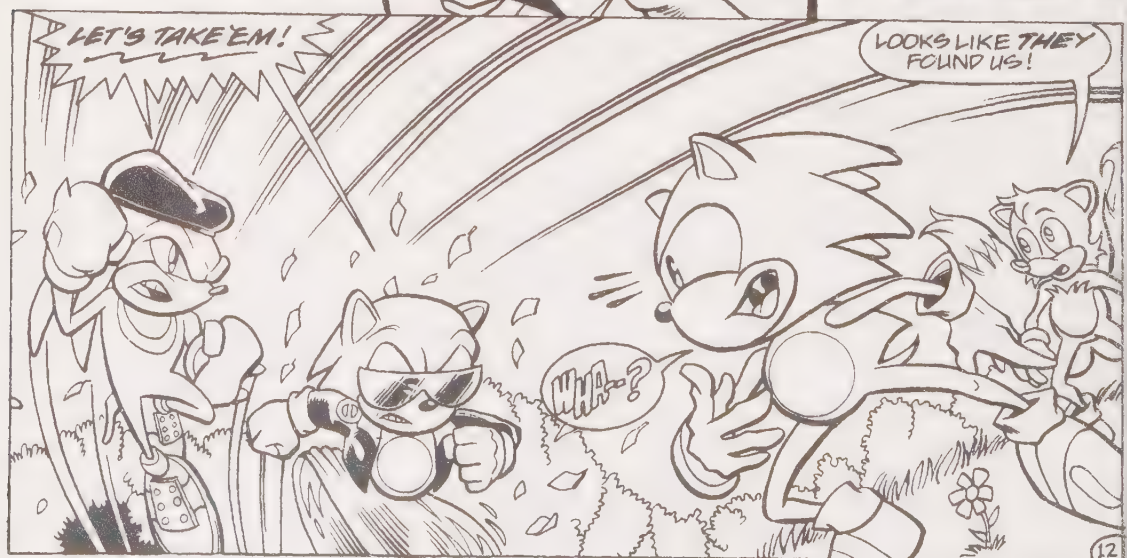
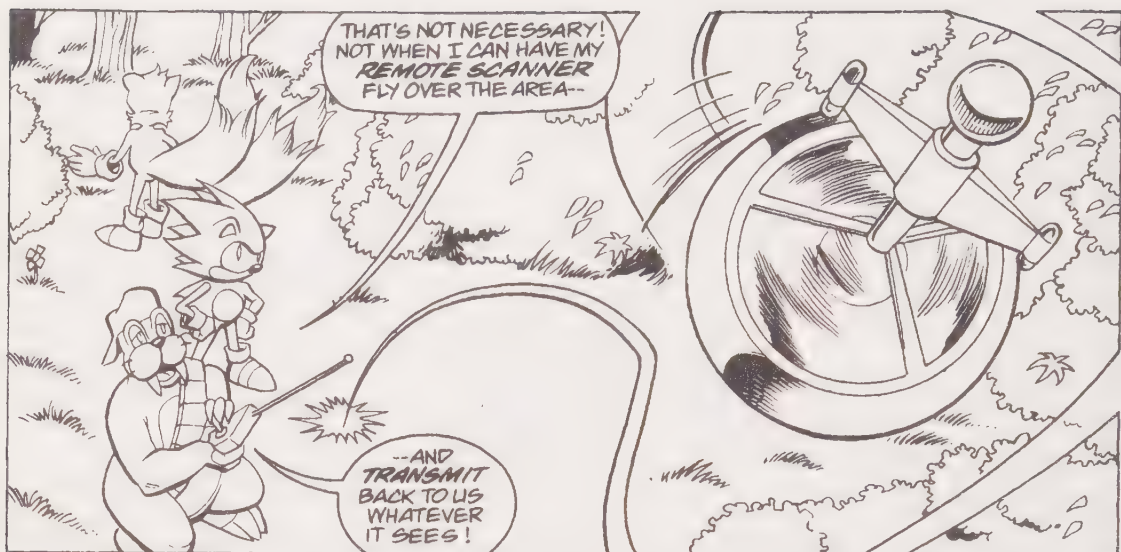
--NOT EVEN WHEN WE HAD TO GO BACK TO THE FLOATING ISLAND BECAUSE OF ROBOTNIK DID I LET ON I KNEW YOU!*

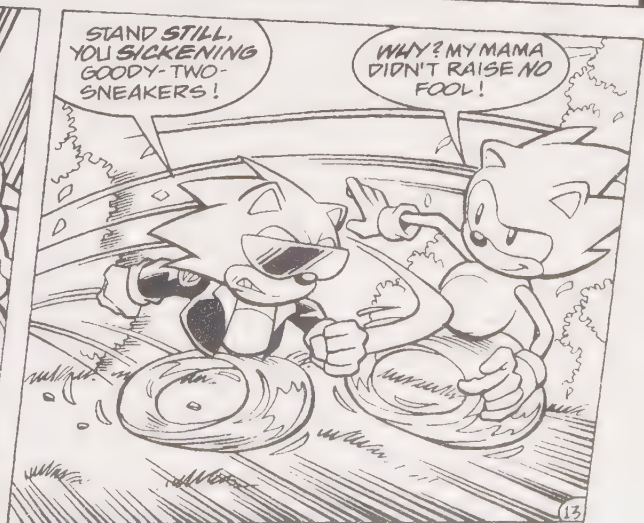
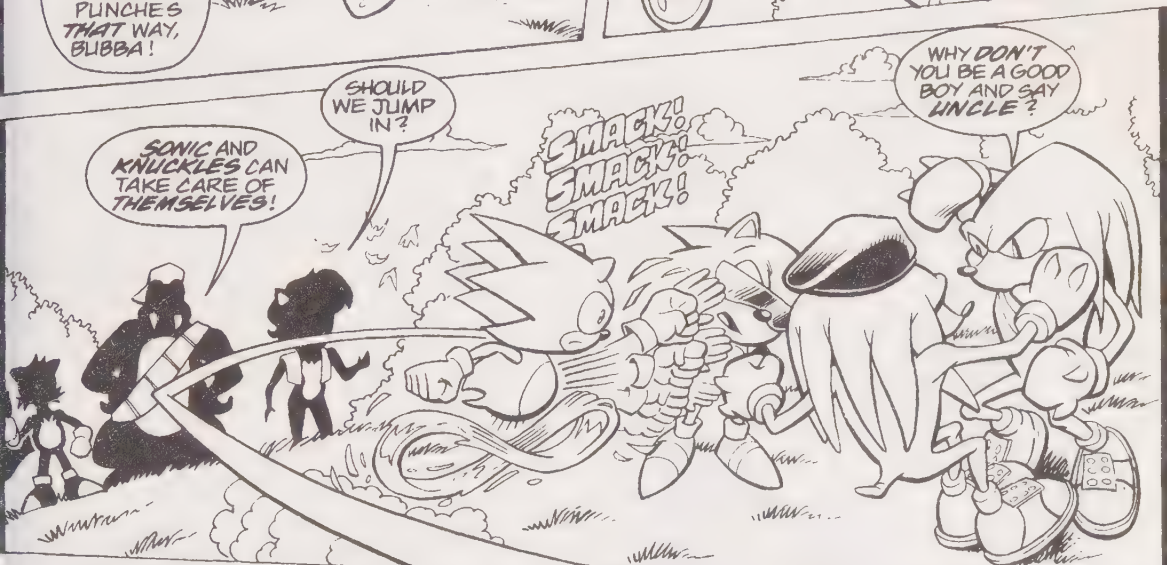
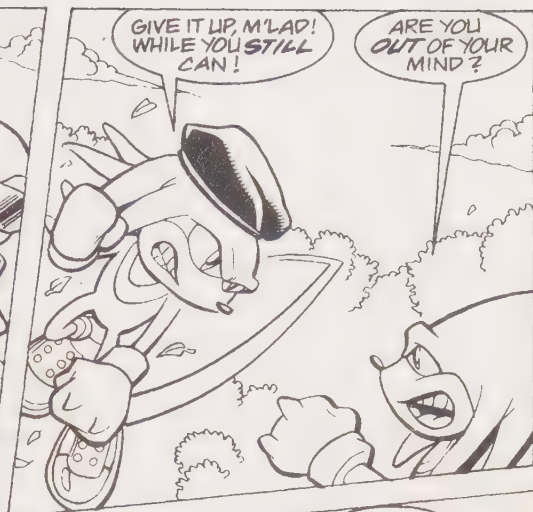
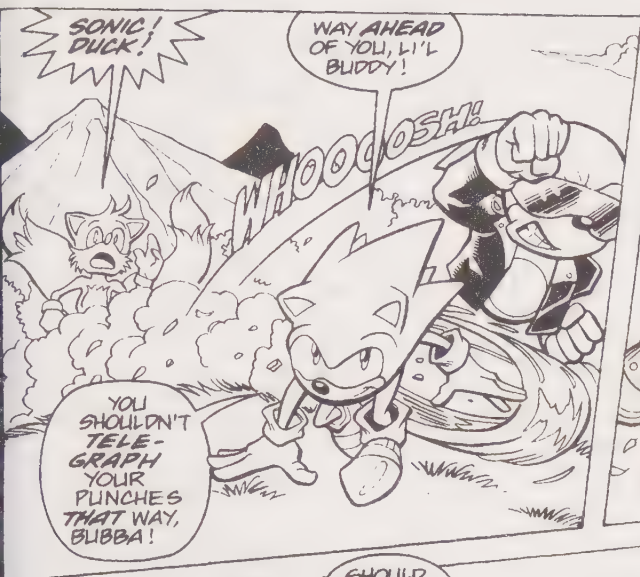


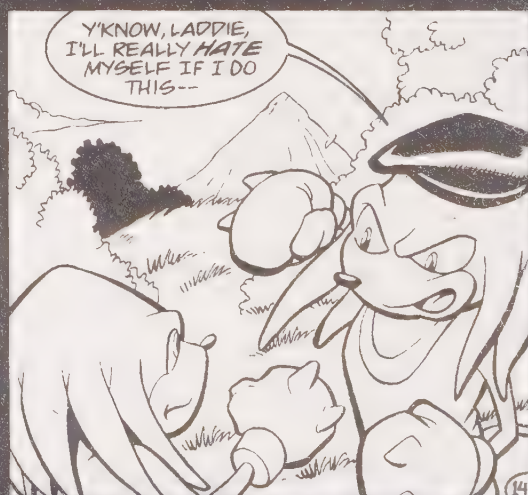
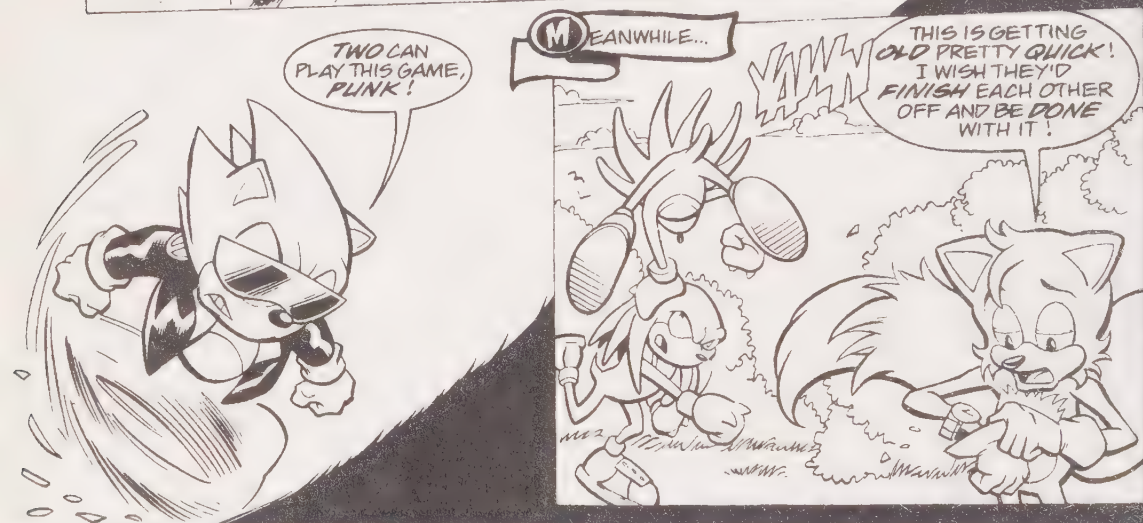
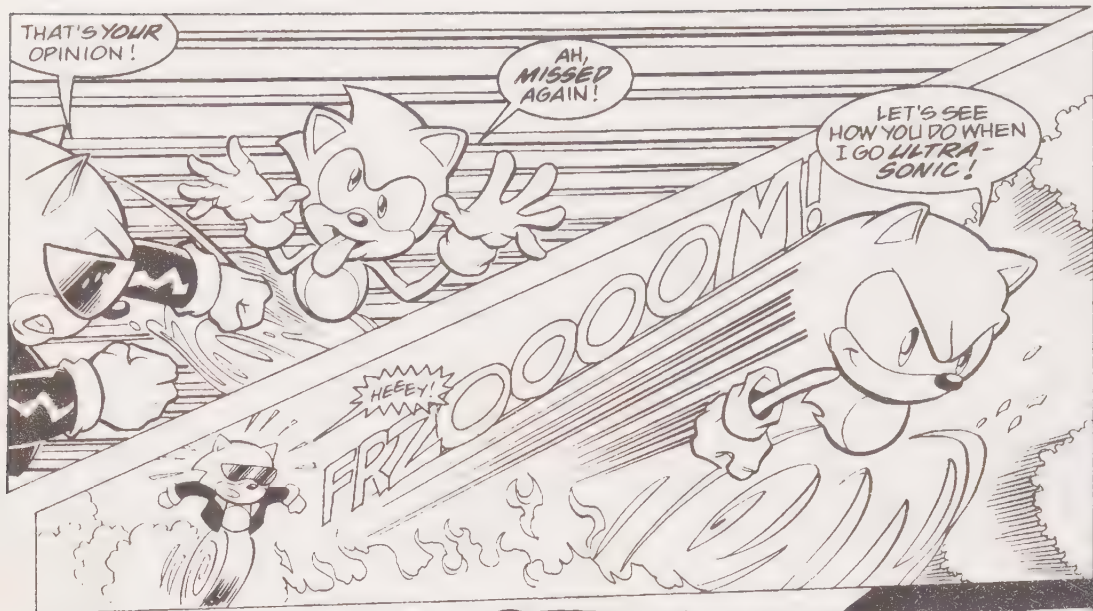
DO YOU THINK YOU SHOULD TELL SONIC?

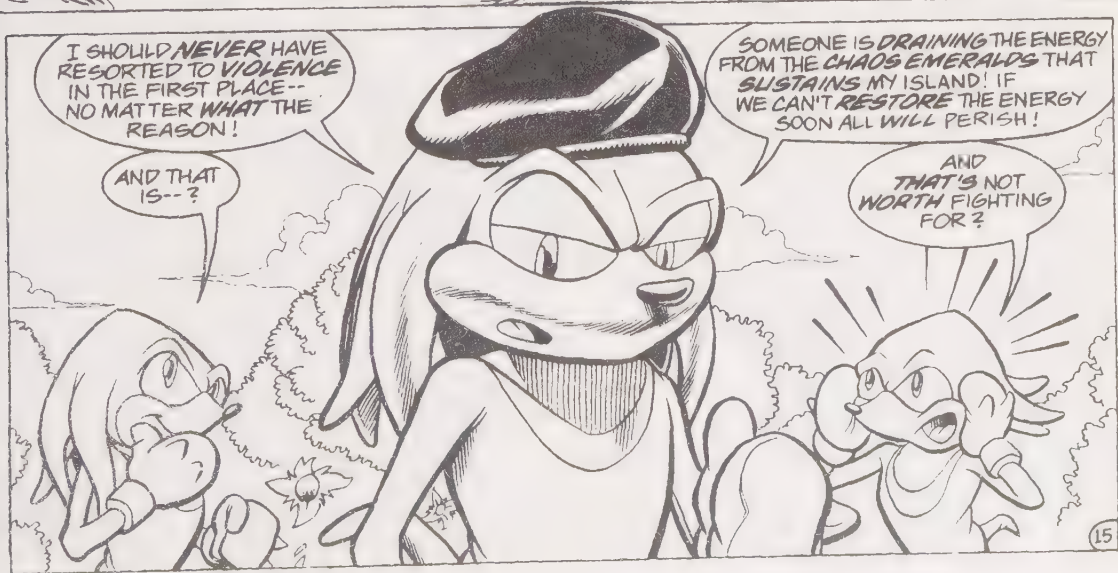
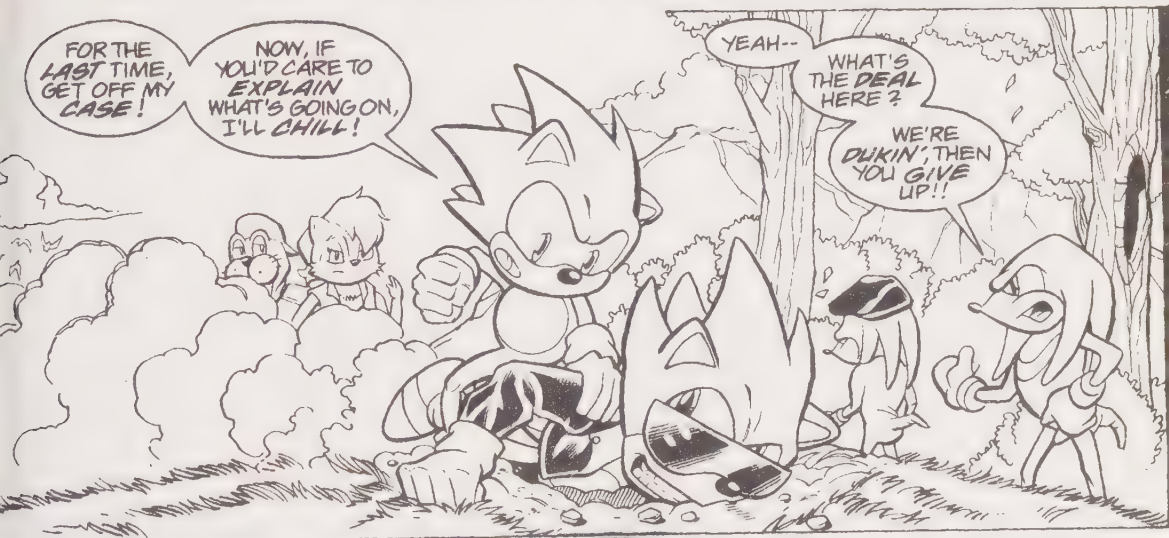
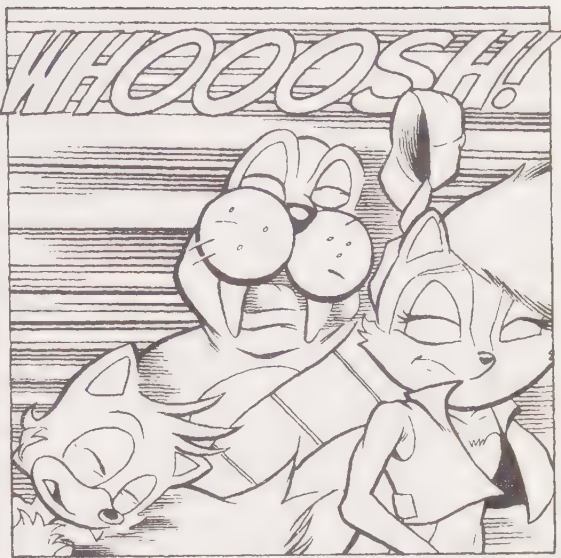
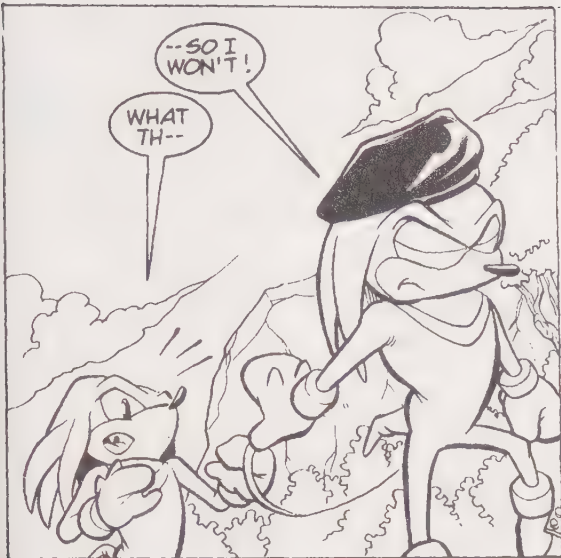
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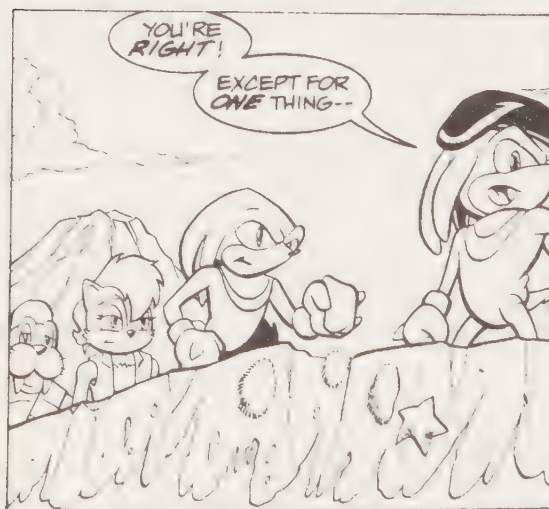
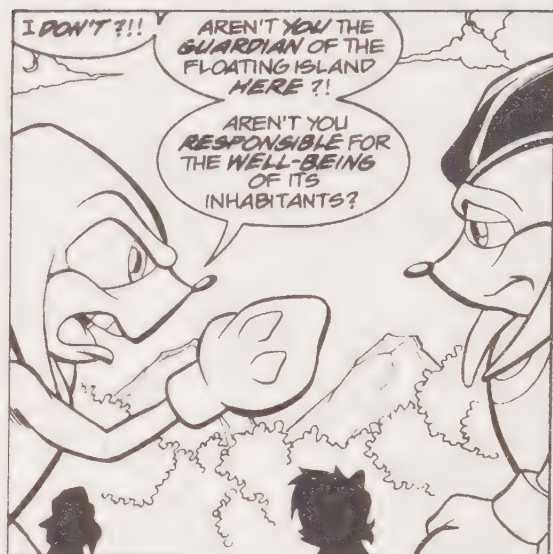
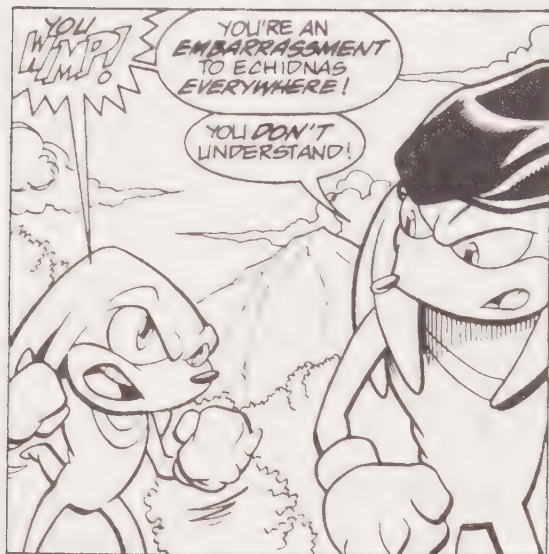












ATLANTINOPOLIS
IS STRAIGHT AHEAD.

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

WE SHOULD BE
PULLING INTO THE
STATION IN
LESS THAN 30
SECONDS!

WAY-
COOL!

THAT'S
PUTTING IT
MILDLY,
SONIC!

BLACK AND BLUE AND RED ALL OVER

PART III

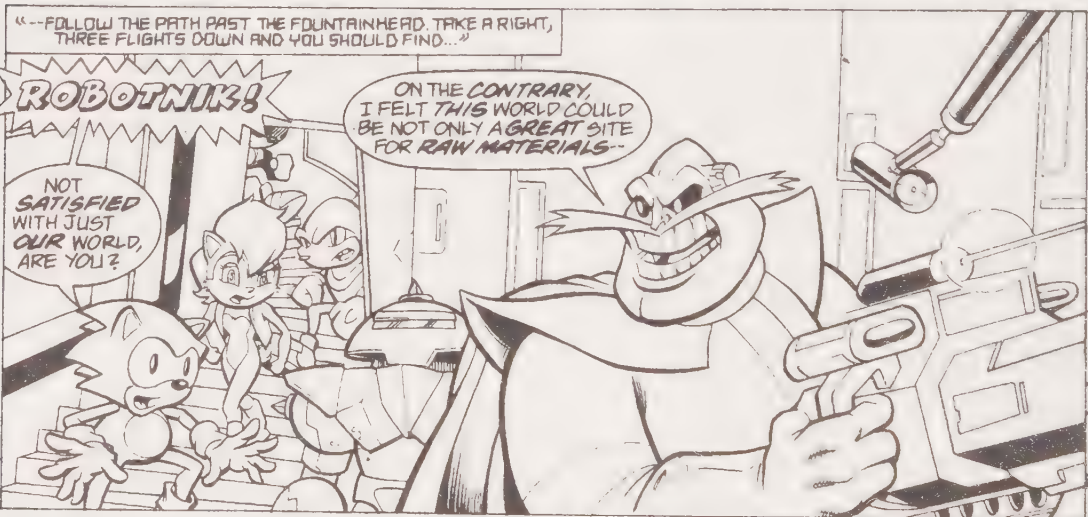
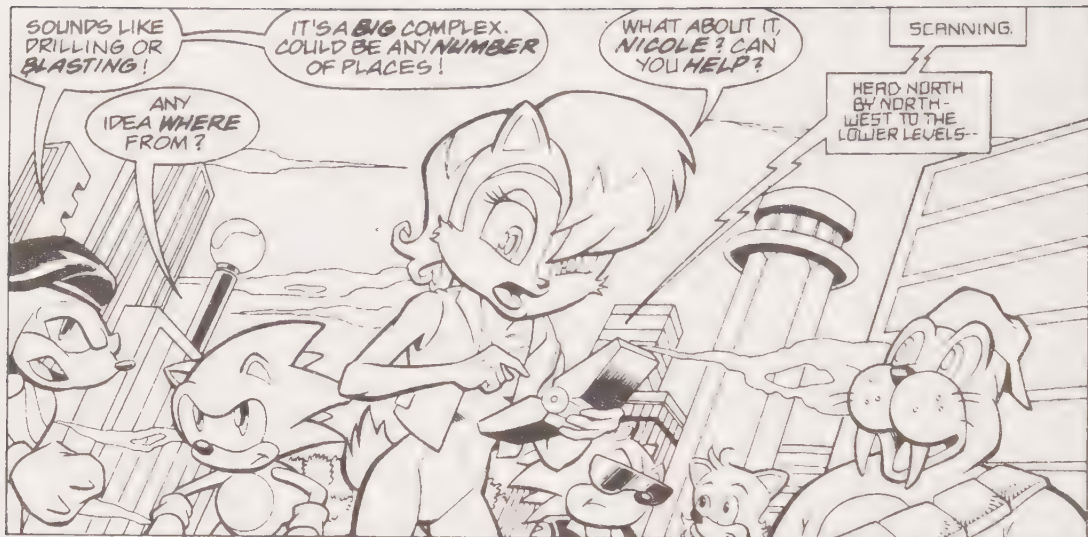
END OF THE
LINE, BUT HOPEFULLY
NOT US!

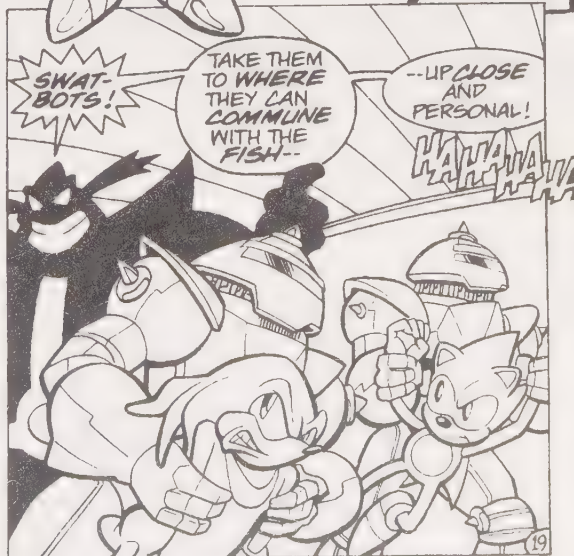
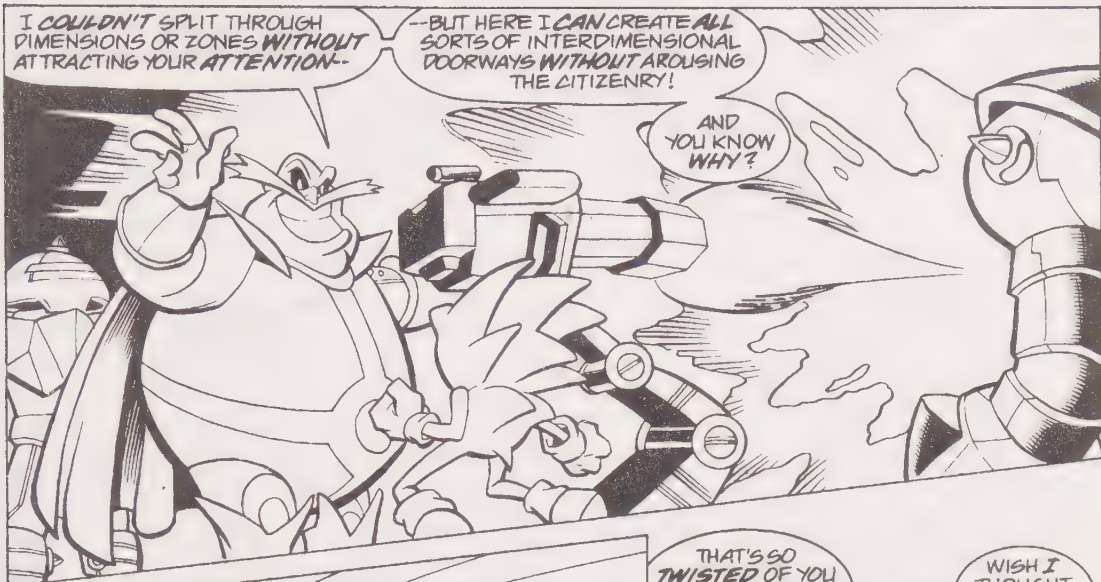
≡WHEW!≡
AIR SEEMS A BIT
THICK!

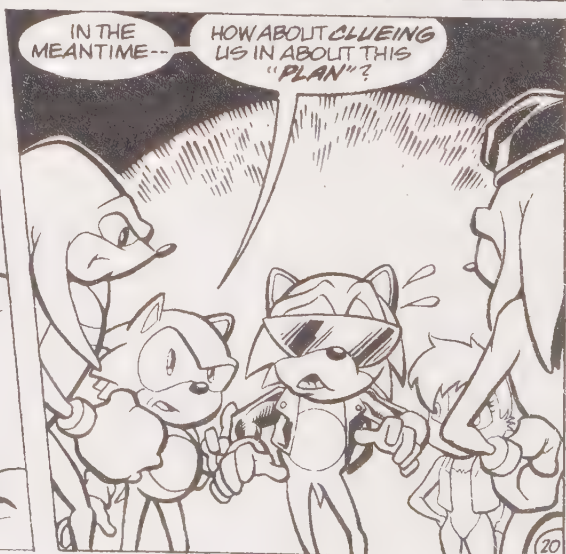
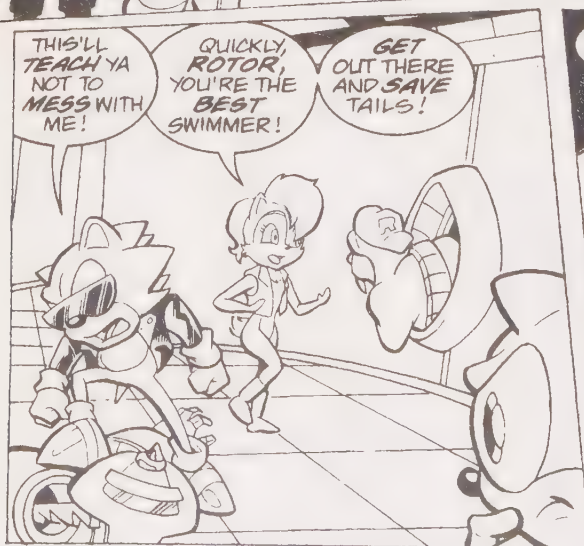
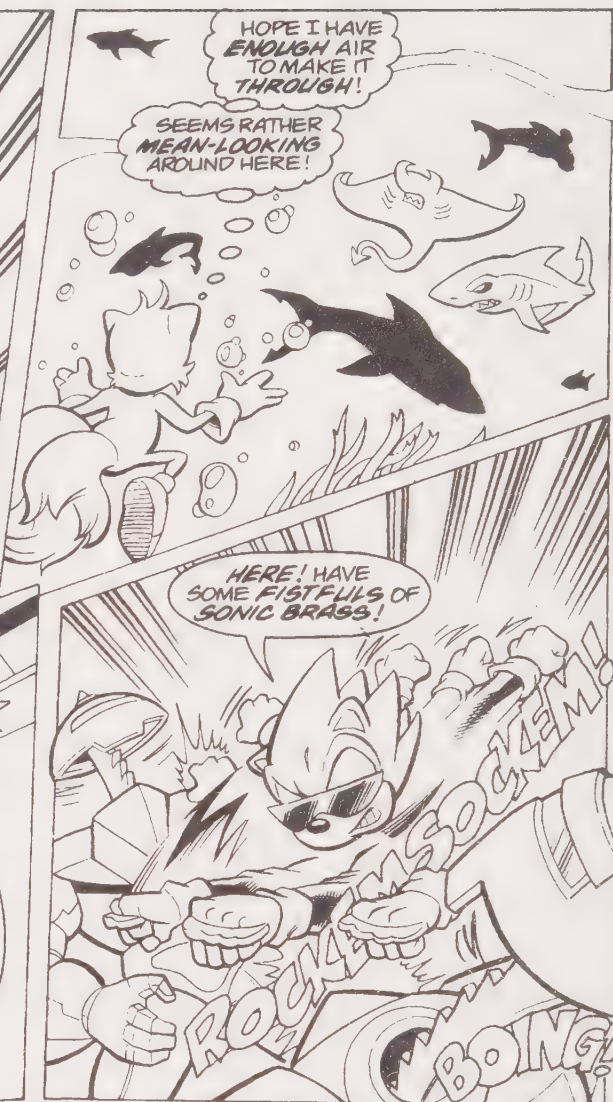
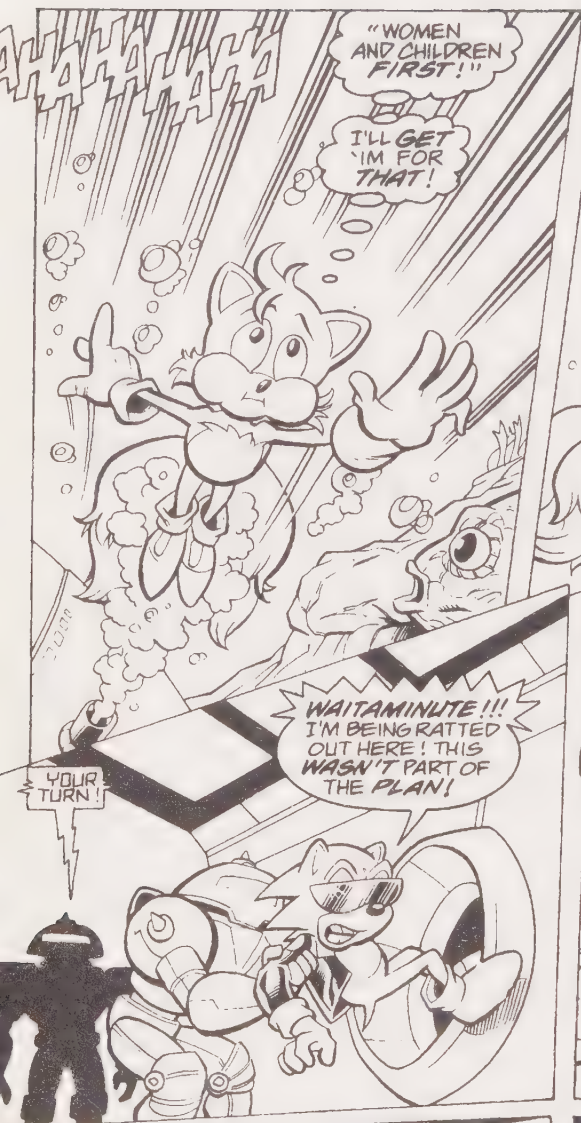
UNLESS WE JURY
RIG SOMETHING FAST
TO POWER THE AIR
CONTAINMENT FIELD--

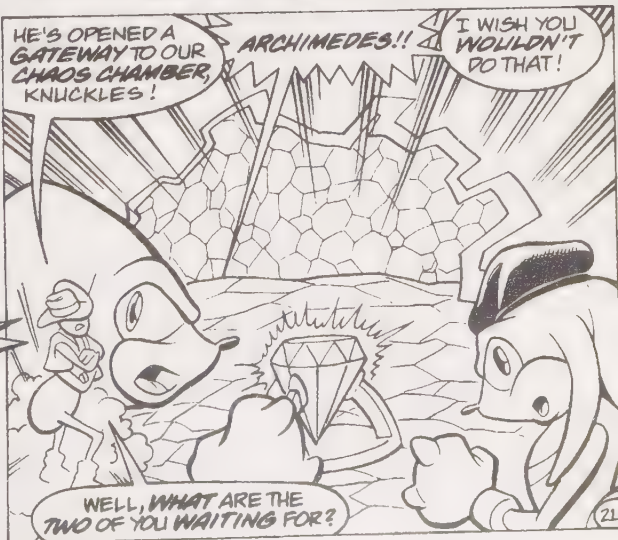
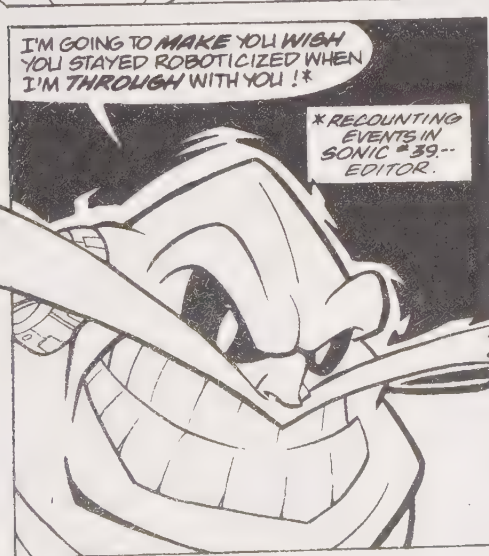
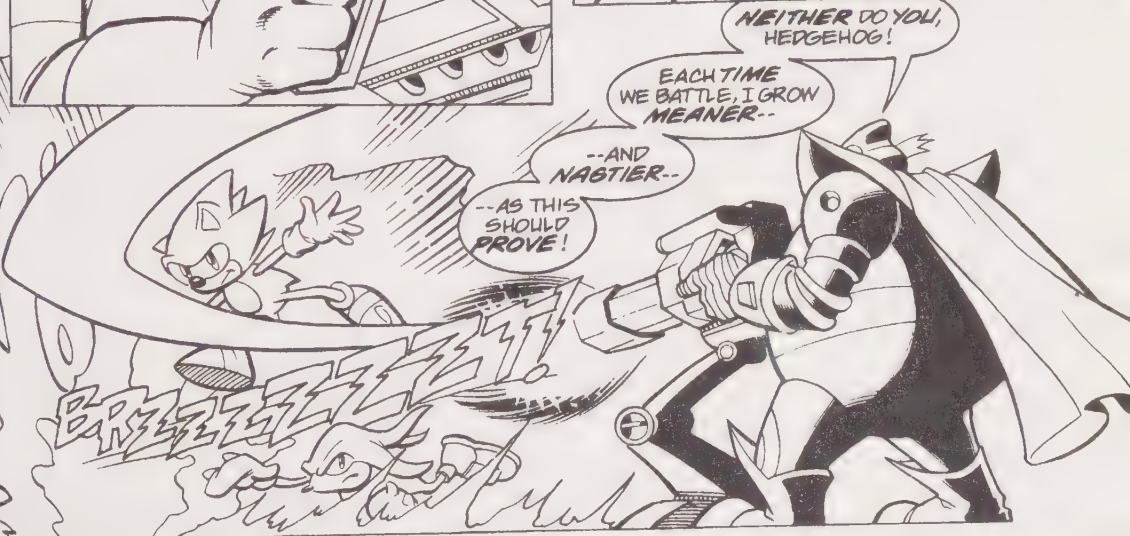
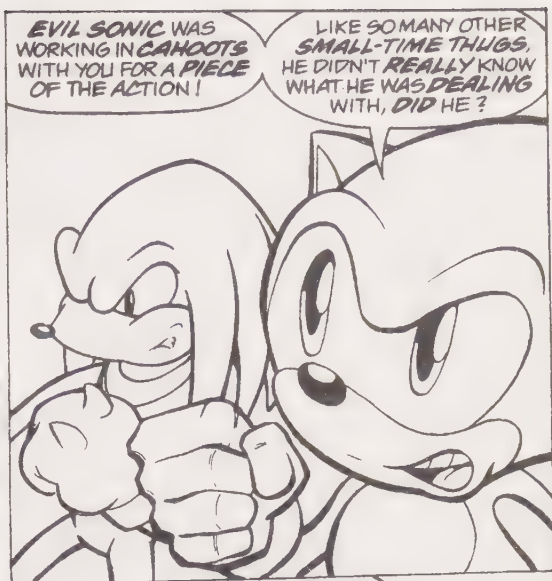
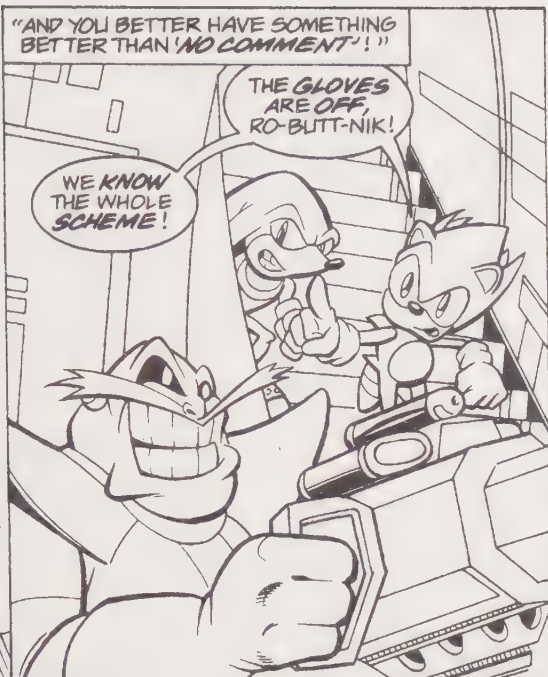
--IT'LL GET
EVEN
THICKER!

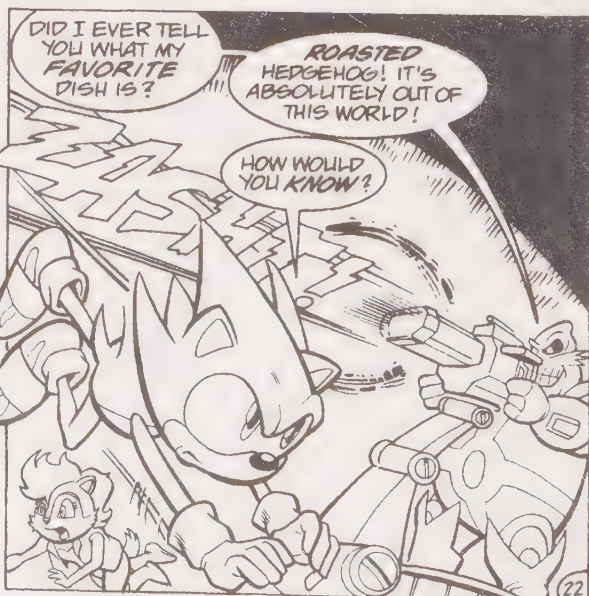
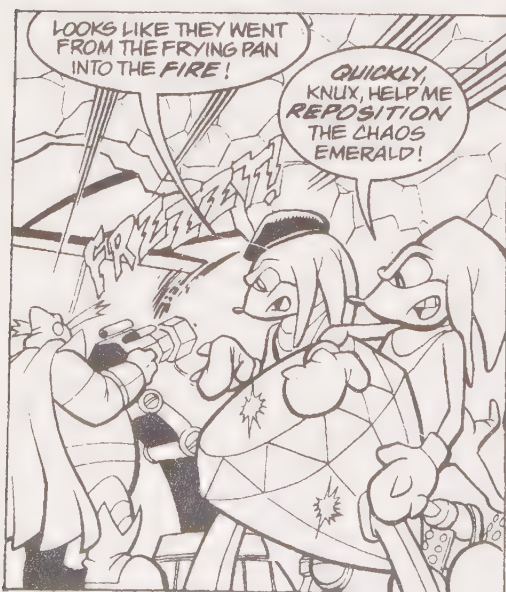
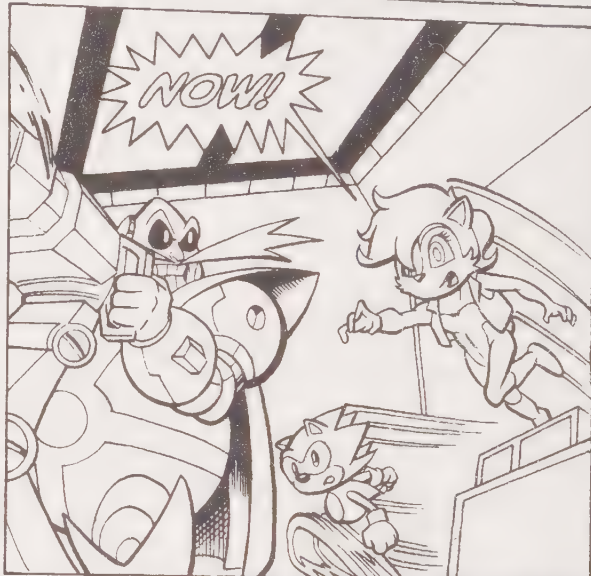
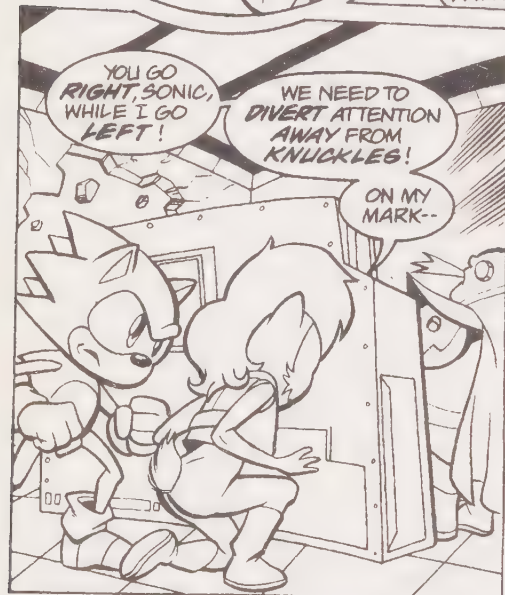
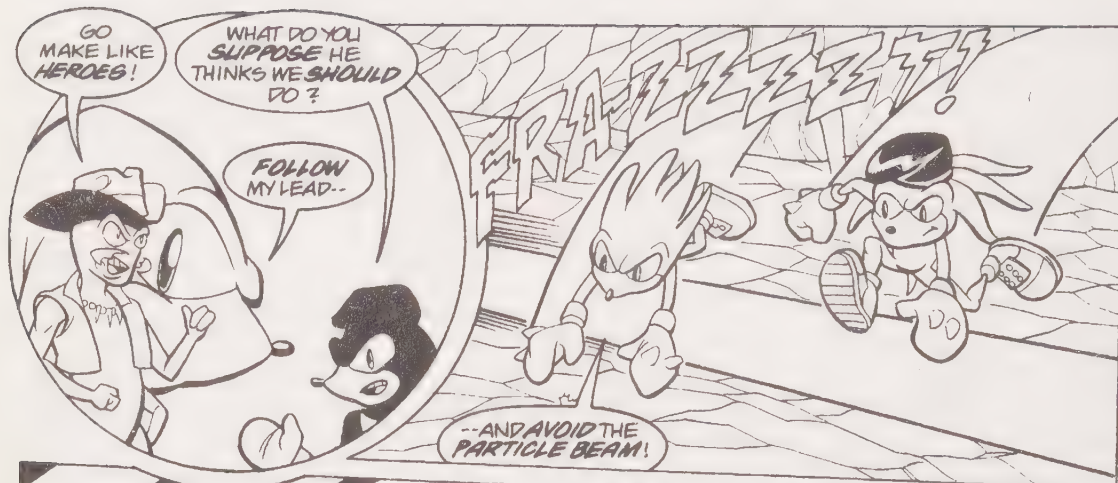
HOLD IT! DO
YOU GUYS HEAR
SOMETHING?

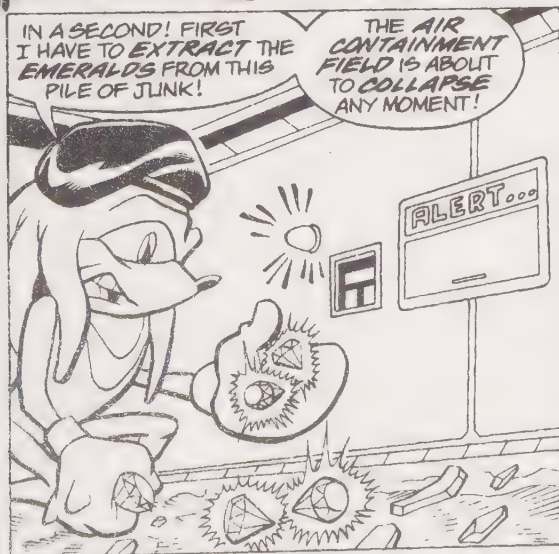
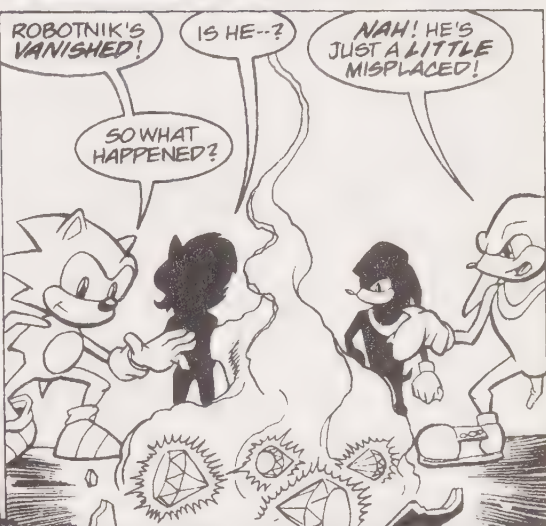
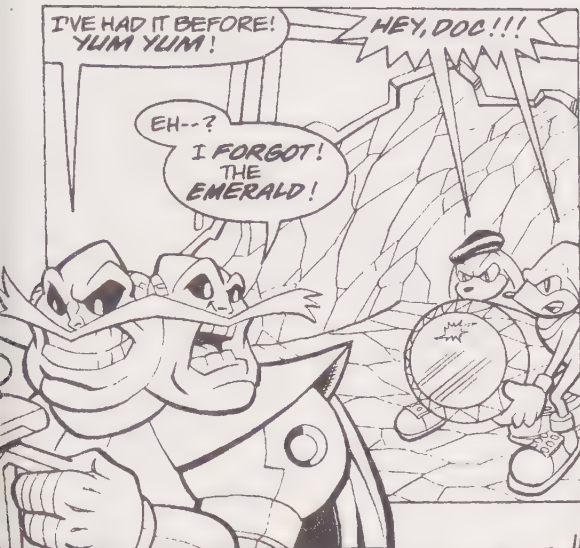


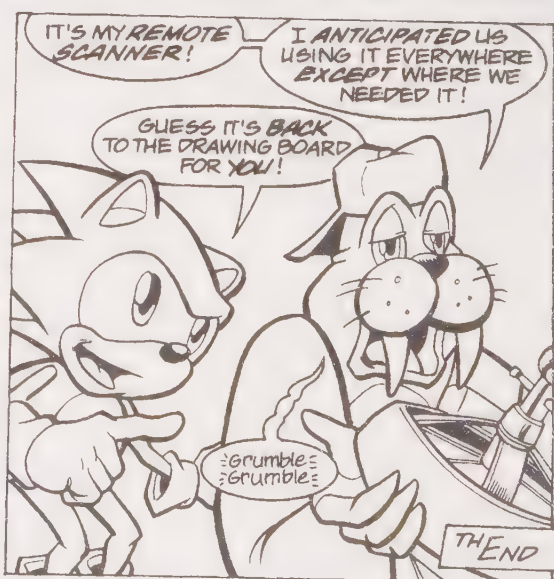
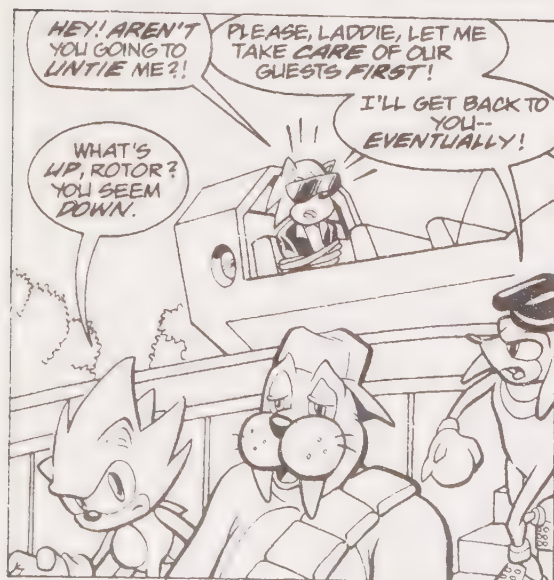
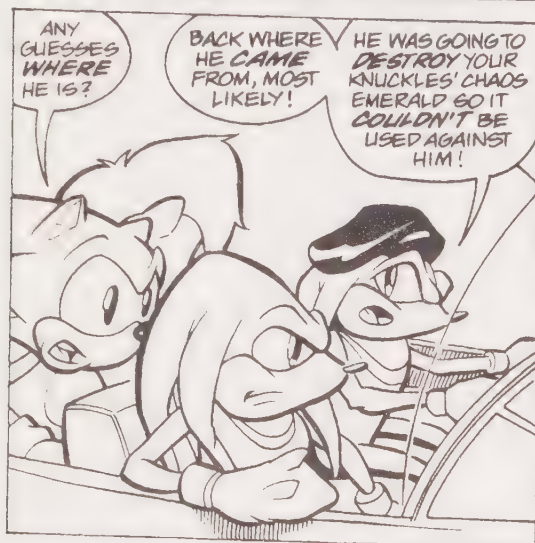
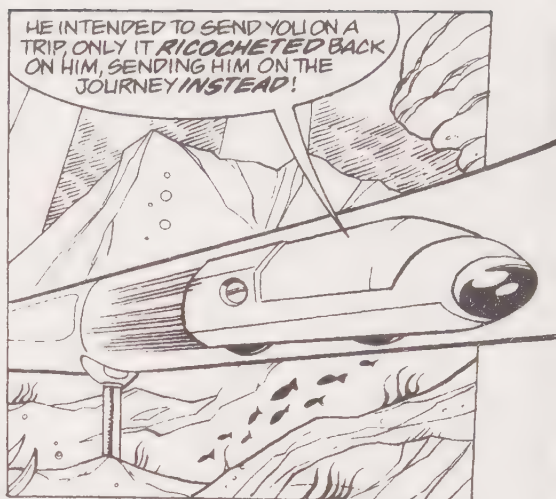
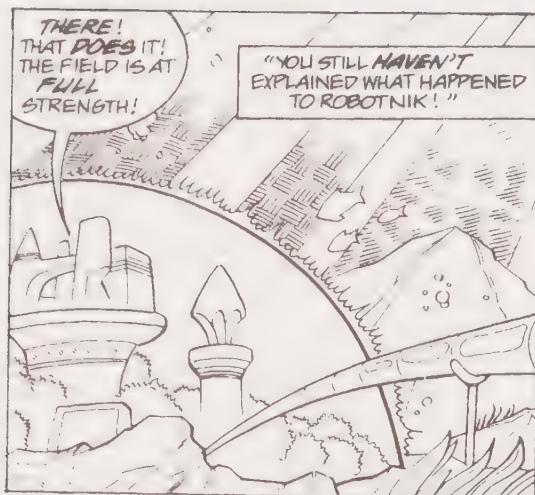












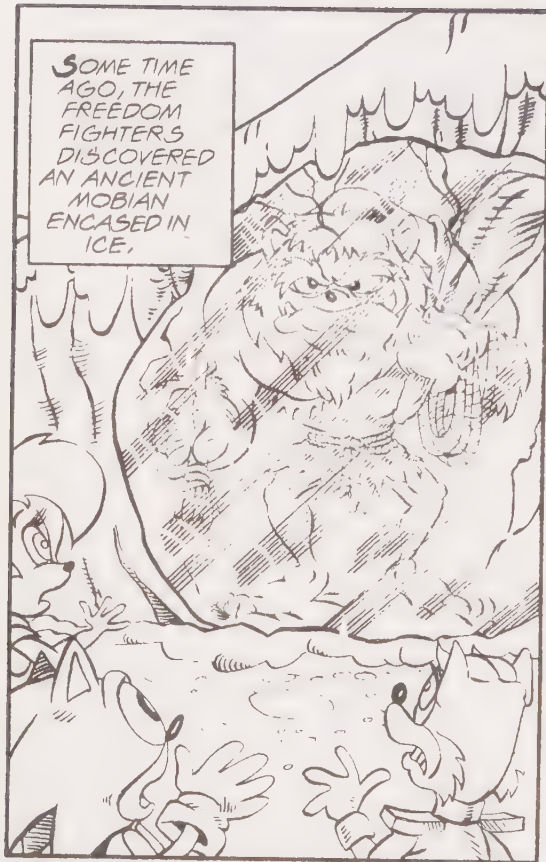
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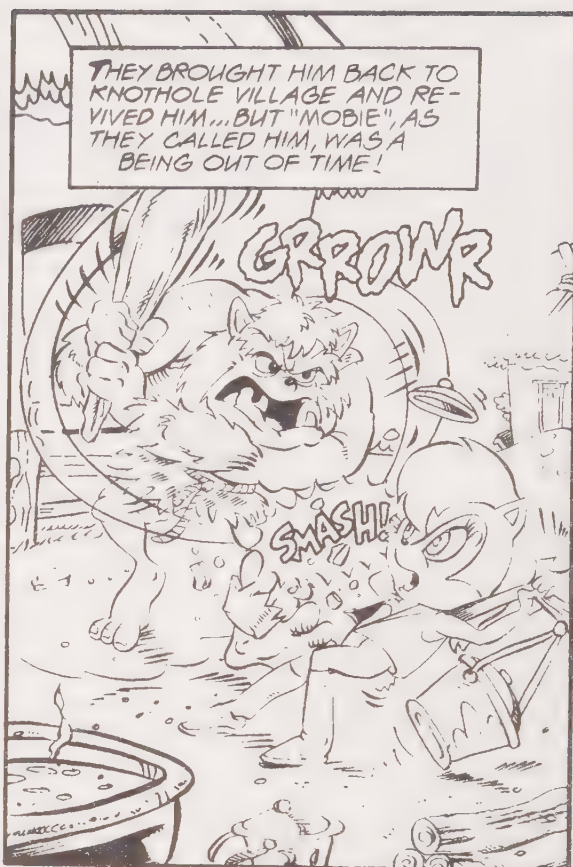
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG



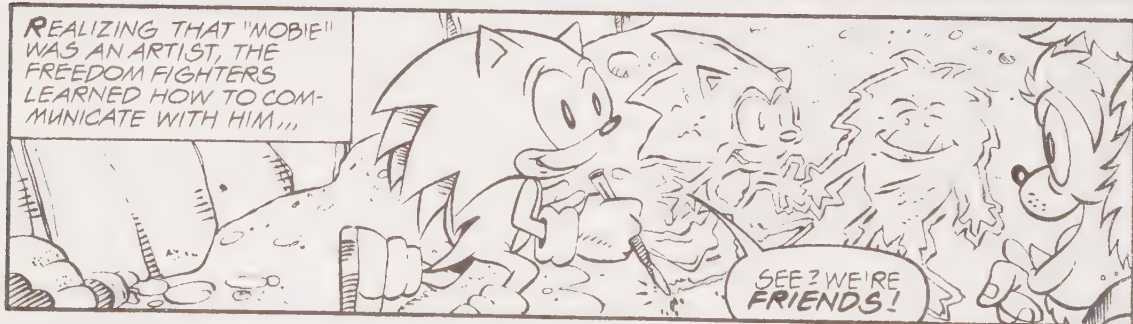
SOME TIME
AGO, THE
FREEDOM
FIGHTERS
DISCOVERED
AN ANCIENT
MOBIAN
ENCASED IN
ICE.



THEY BROUGHT HIM BACK TO
KNOTHOLE VILLAGE AND RE-
VIVED HIM...BUT "MOBIE" AS
THEY CALLED HIM, WAS A
BEING OUT OF TIME!

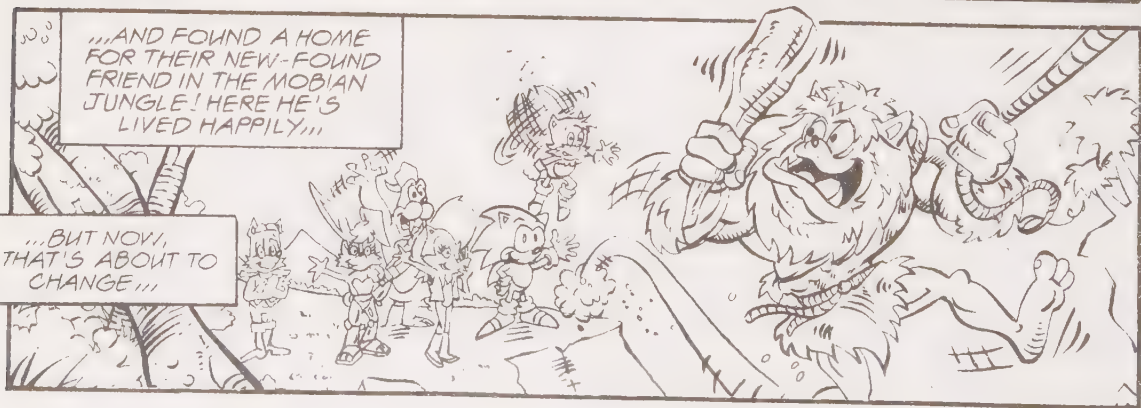


REALIZING THAT "MOBIE"
WAS AN ARTIST, THE
FREEDOM FIGHTERS
LEARNED HOW TO COM-
MUNICATE WITH HIM...



...AND FOUND A HOME
FOR THEIR NEW-FOUND
FRIEND IN THE MOBIAN
JUNGLE! HERE HE'S
LIVED HAPPILY...

...BUT NOW,
THAT'S ABOUT TO
CHANGE...



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

GUERRILLA THRILLER

PART I

HAS GOT TO BE
TOLD ABOUT THIS...
BEFORE IT'S TOO
LATE!

BUT, DOCTOR ROBOTNIK,
MANY OF YOUR ENEMIES ARE
HIDING IN THE MOBIAN JUNGLE!
IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT WE
ESTABLISH A COMMAND
CENTER THERE!

SNIVELY, YOU
IDIOT! YOU KNOW
HOW I **HATE** THE
JUNGLE!!!

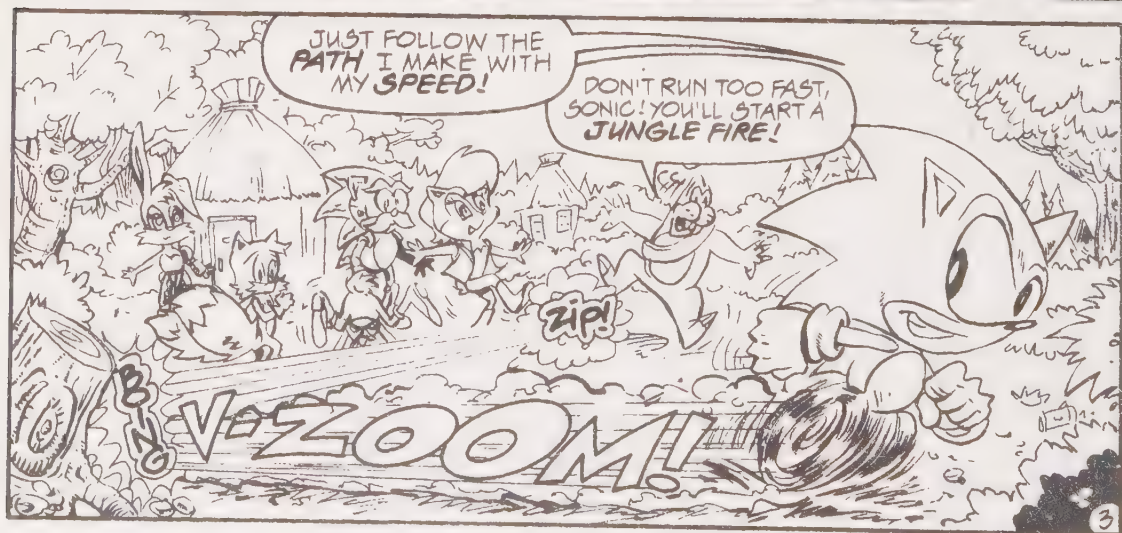
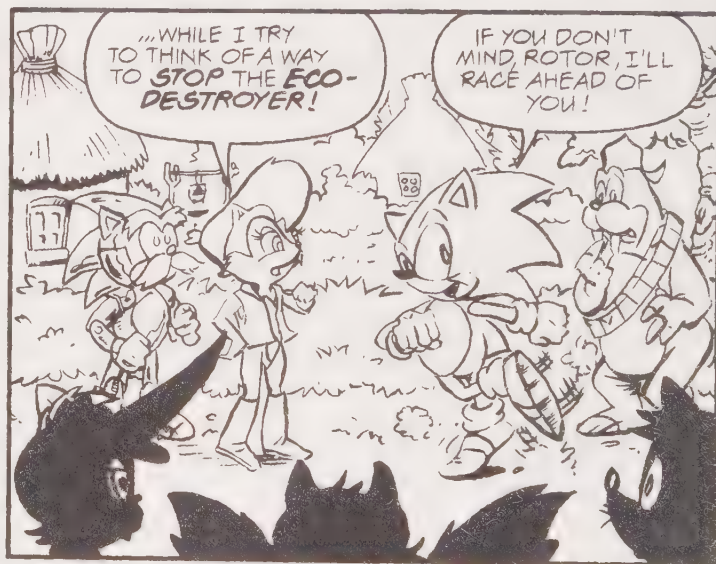
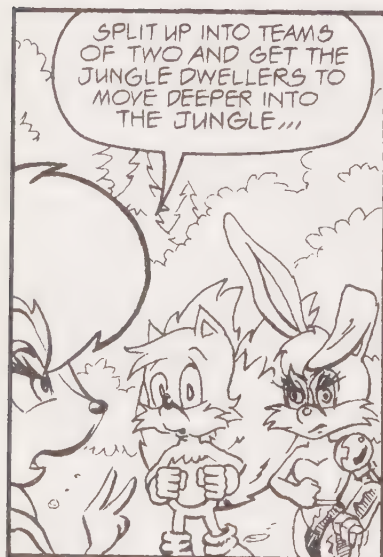
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WITH ITS **HOT, HUMID TEMPER-
ATURES** AND ALL THOSE **PLANTS** AND
VINES SURROUNDING YOU AND
THE **WILD ANIMALS** WATCHING YOU...
AND...AND...

SIR, I
GUARANTEE
YOU WON'T
HAVE TO **SET
FOOT** INSIDE
THE JUNGLE...

"THE **ECO-
DESTROYER**
WILL DO **ALL**
THE **WORK!**"



LATER, IN THE
HEART OF THE
MOBIAN JUNGLE...

THERE YOU ARE,
ROTOR! THIS IS NO
TIME TO BEAT AROUND
THE BUSH!

FREEEEEE

I JUST STOPPED FOR
A MOMENT TO STUDY THESE
RARE BERRIES, SONIC!

I BELIEVE THEY'RE
NARCOLYPHTH BERRIES!
EATING THEM CAUSES
SLEEPINESS!

I WISH YOU HAD TOLD ME
THAT **BEFORE** I STARTED MUNCHING
ON 'EM, ROTOR!

?!

CHOMP
CHOMP

HOW DO
YOU FEEL,
SONIC?

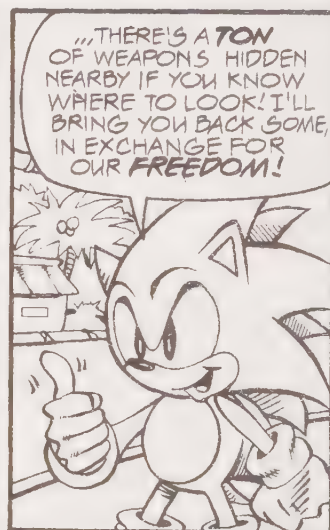
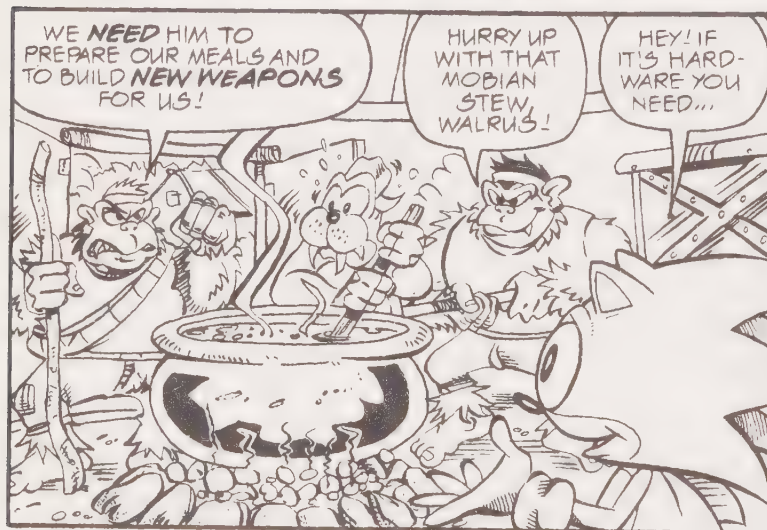
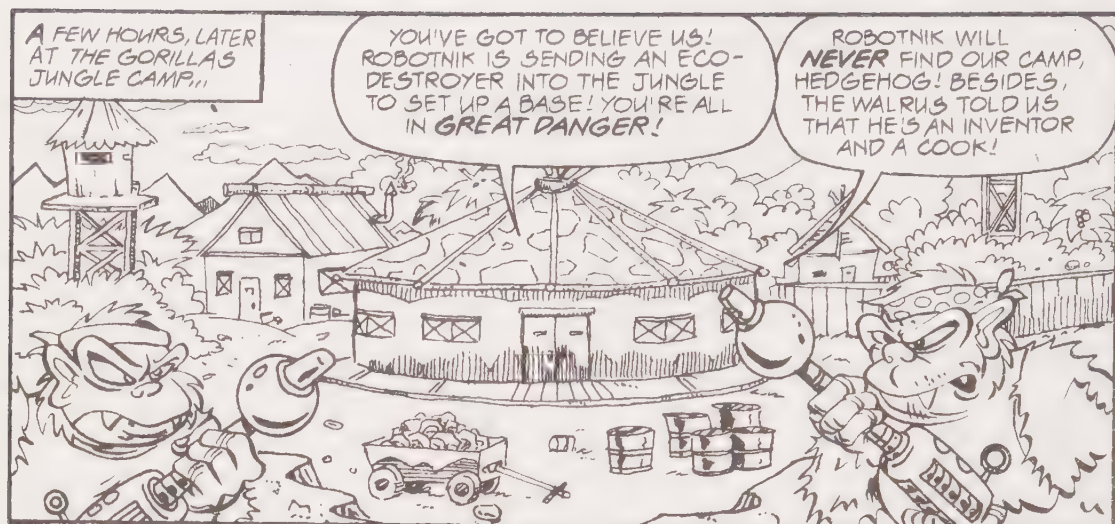
I FEEL FINE...
YAWN... BUT I **COULD**
USE A NAP!

FREEZE,
WALRUS!

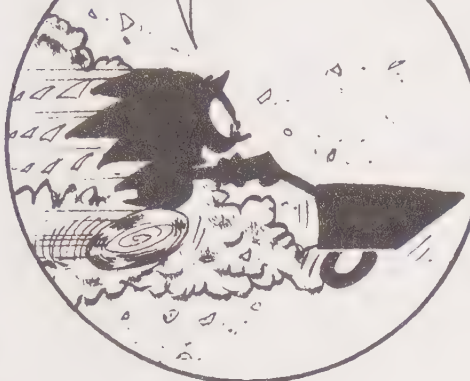
YOU AND THE
HEDGEHOG ARE
SURROUNDED!

SONIC! WE'RE
BEING AMBUSHED BY
GORILLAS! RUN!

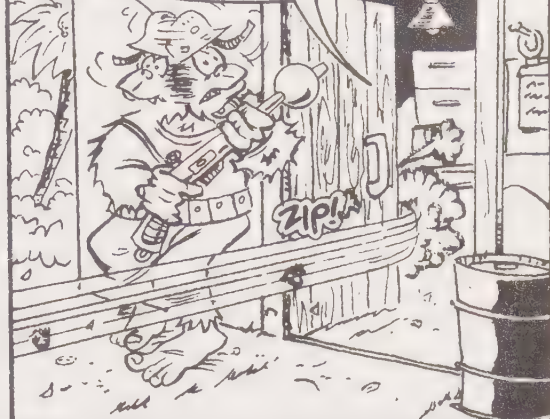
SURE, ROTOR...
AS SOON AS I
CATCH SOME Z'S
...ZZZZZ...



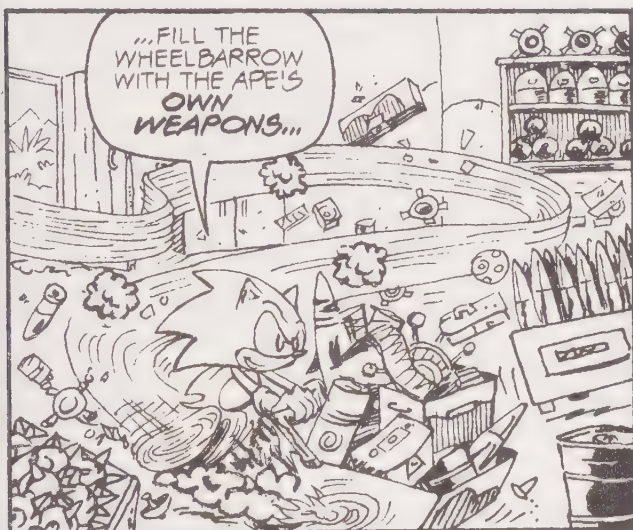
...AND NOW
I'LL TURN UP THE
SPEED...



...JUICE PAST
THE GUARD OF THE
APE'S SUPPLY
HUT...



...FILL THE
WHEELBARROW
WITH THE APE'S
OWN
WEAPONS...



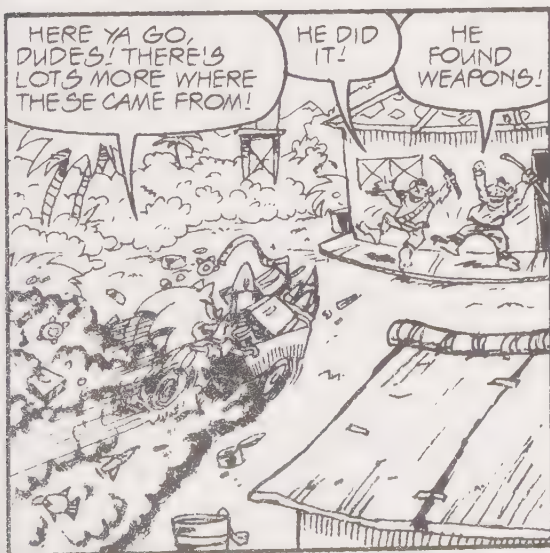
...AND JUICE
BACK TO CAMP!
AM I CLEVER
OR WHAT?



HERE YA GO,
DUDES! THERE'S
LOTS MORE WHERE
THESE CAME FROM!

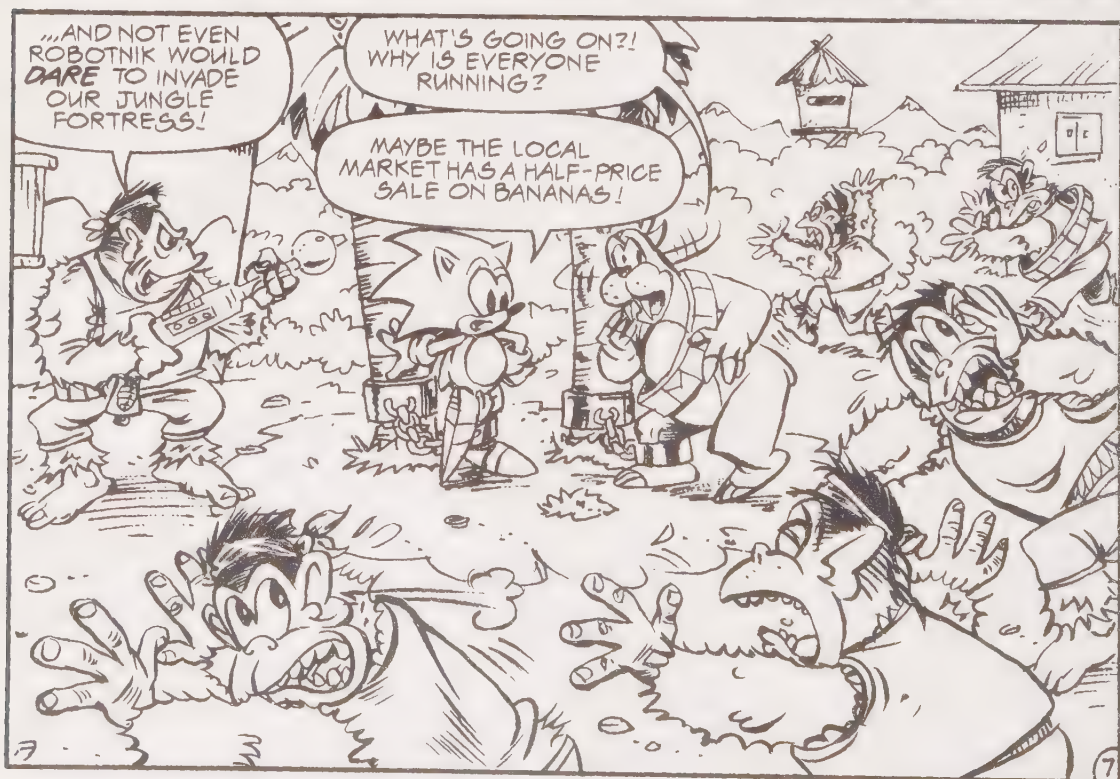
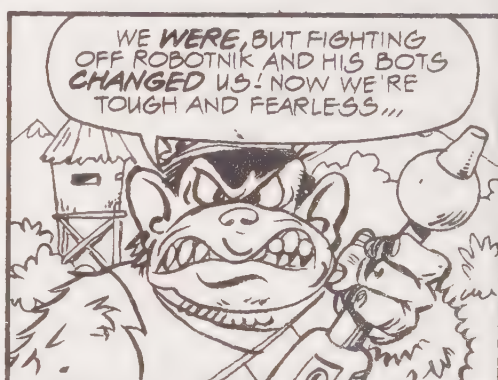
HE DID
IT!

HE
FOUND
WEAPONS!



HEY! WHO
THREW ME IN
HERE?!







SONIC,
LOOK!

I CLAIM THIS JUNGLE
IN THE NAME OF DOCTOR
IVO ROBOTNIK, AND I
ORDER YOU TO
SURRENDER...

...OR THE REST
OF YOUR CAMP WILL
BE
OBLITERATED!

END OF
PART I

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

GUERRILLA THRILLER

PART II

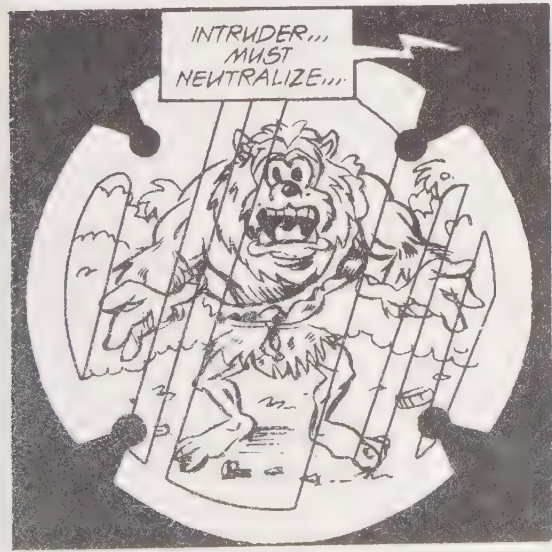
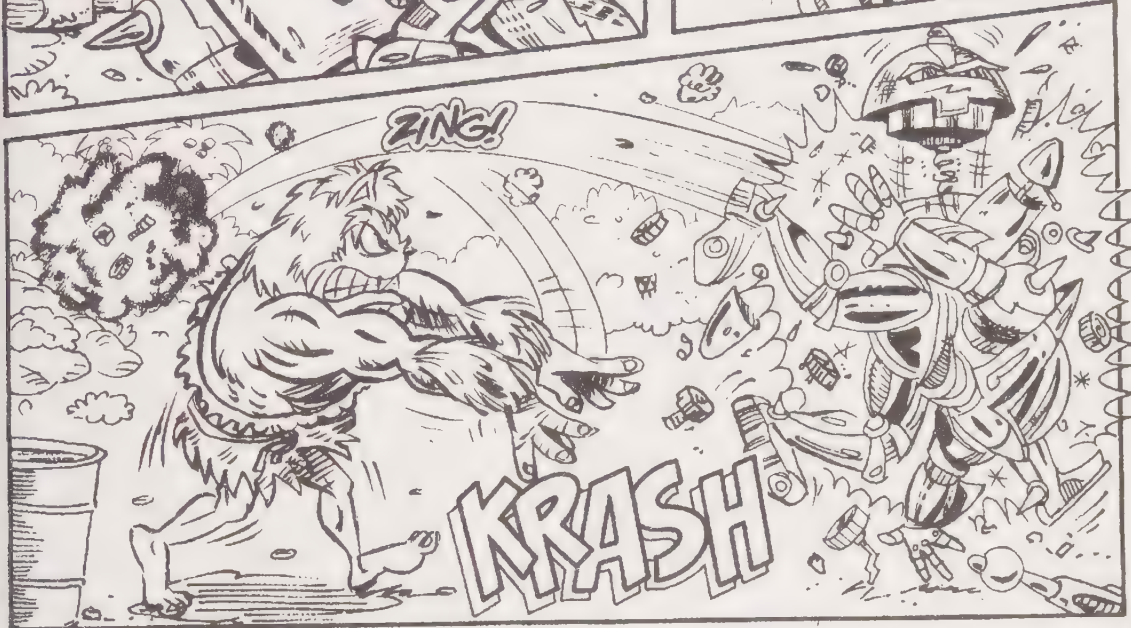
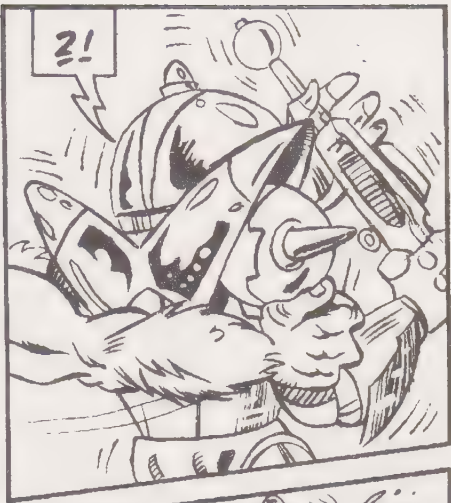
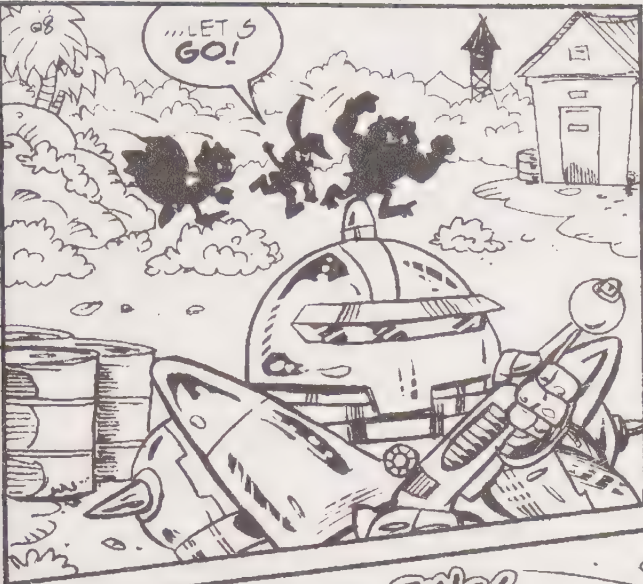
WHAT A **SURPRISE!**
WHEN DR. ROBOTNIK SEES
THAT I'VE CAPTURED YOU,
HE'LL APPOINT ME
CO-DICTATOR!

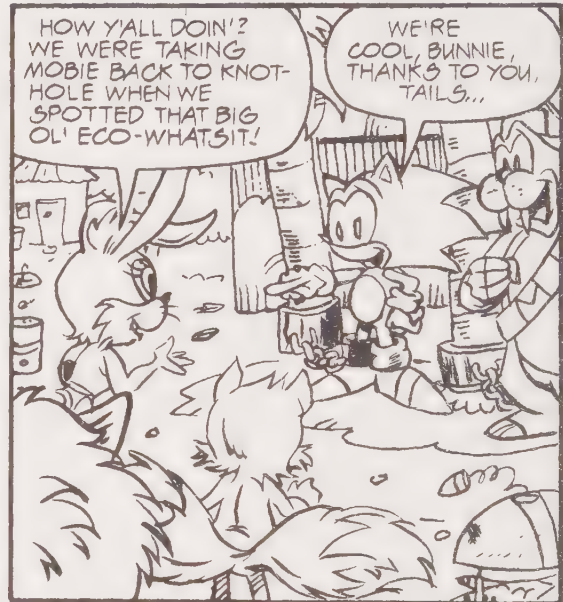
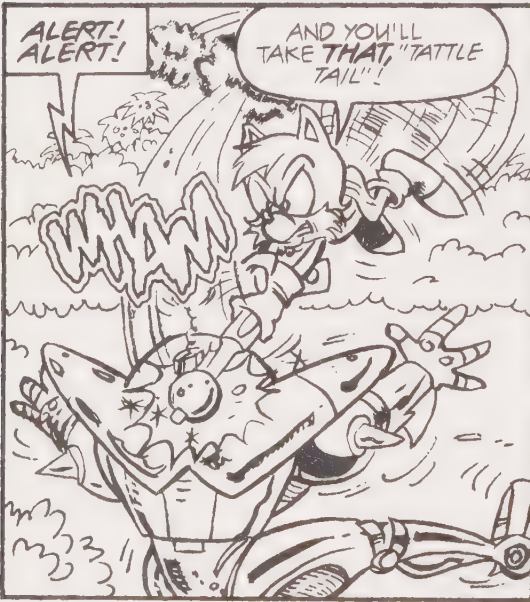
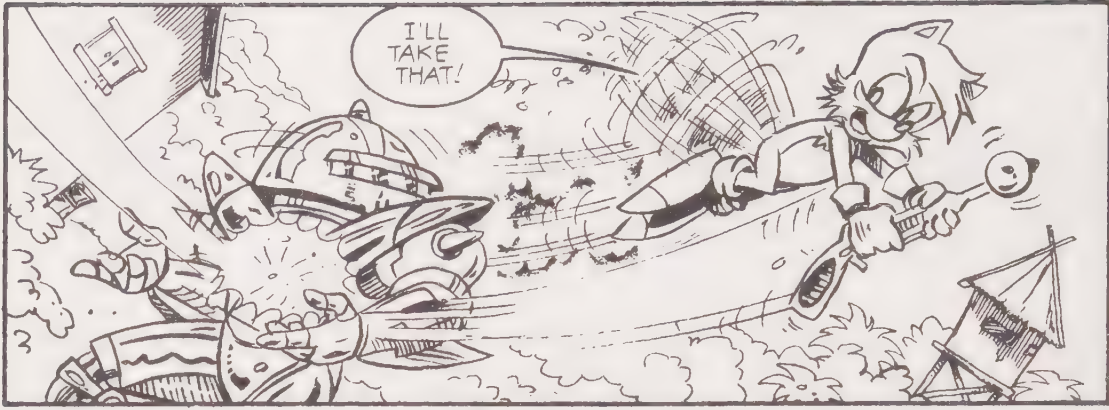
THE **GORILLAS**
CAPTURED ME **SNIV-NOSE!**
YOU CAN'T EVEN **CATCH**
YOUR **BREATH!**

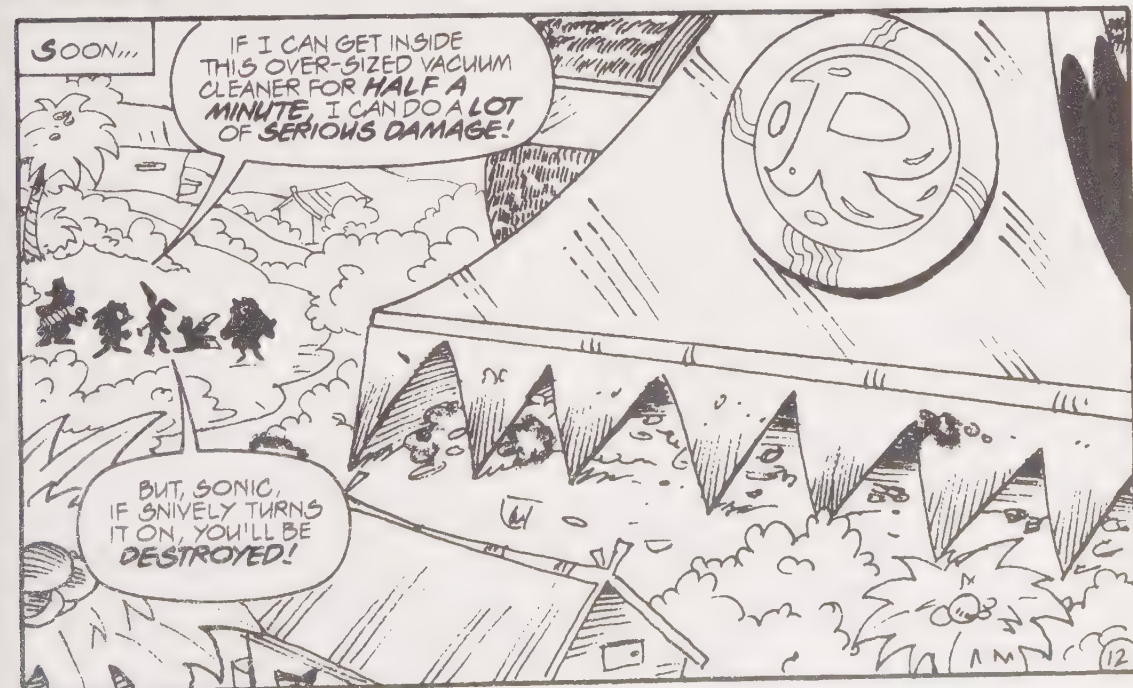
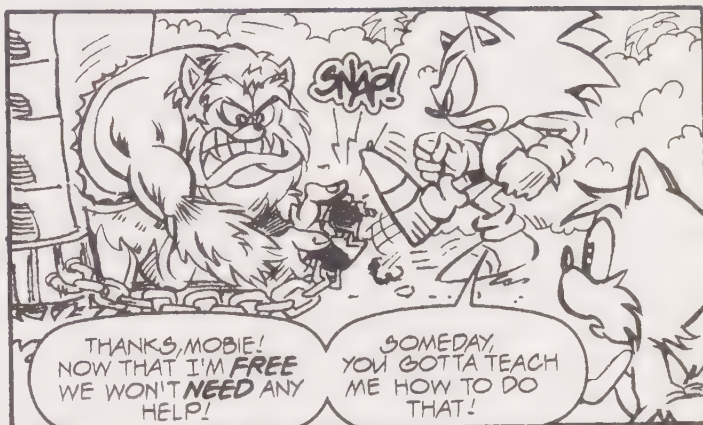
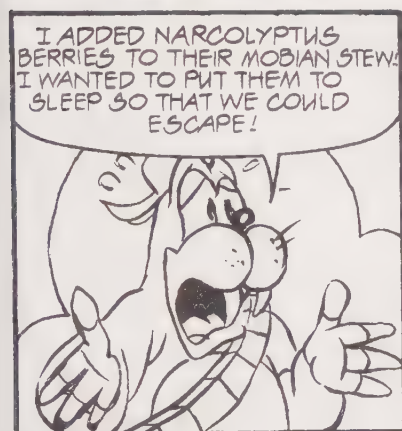
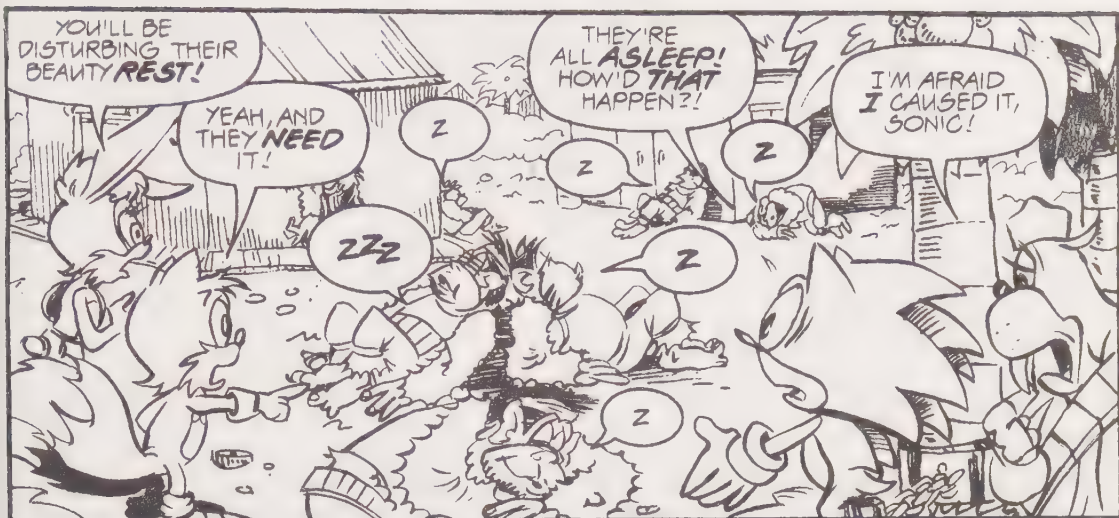
AND I LIKE
YOUR HAT! WHEN
DID YOU START
WEARING A **TEEPEE**
ON YOUR HEAD?

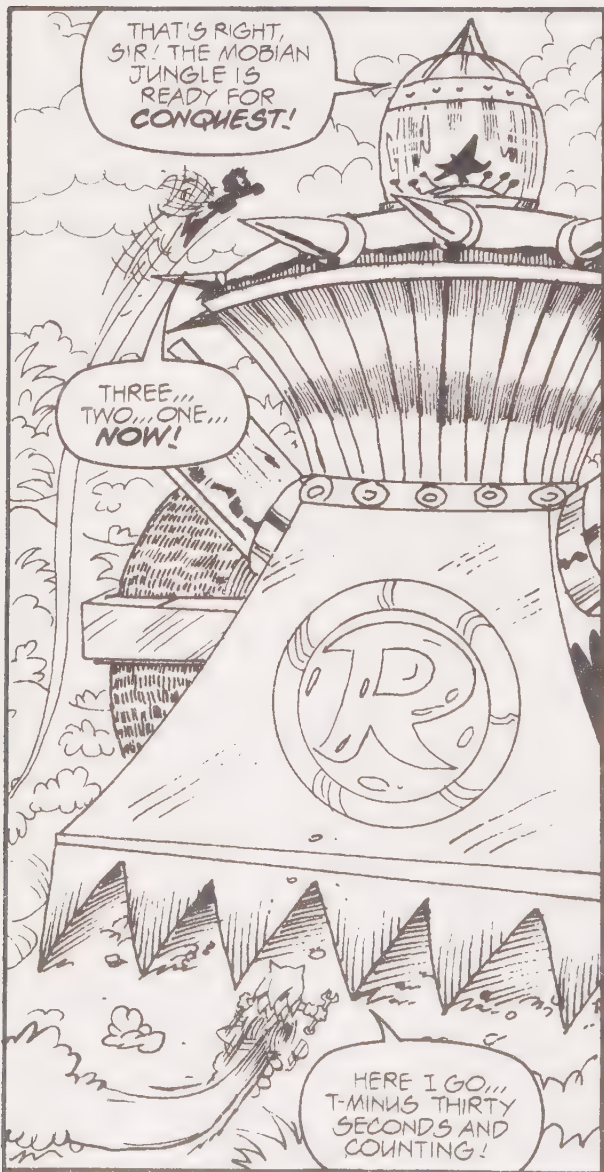
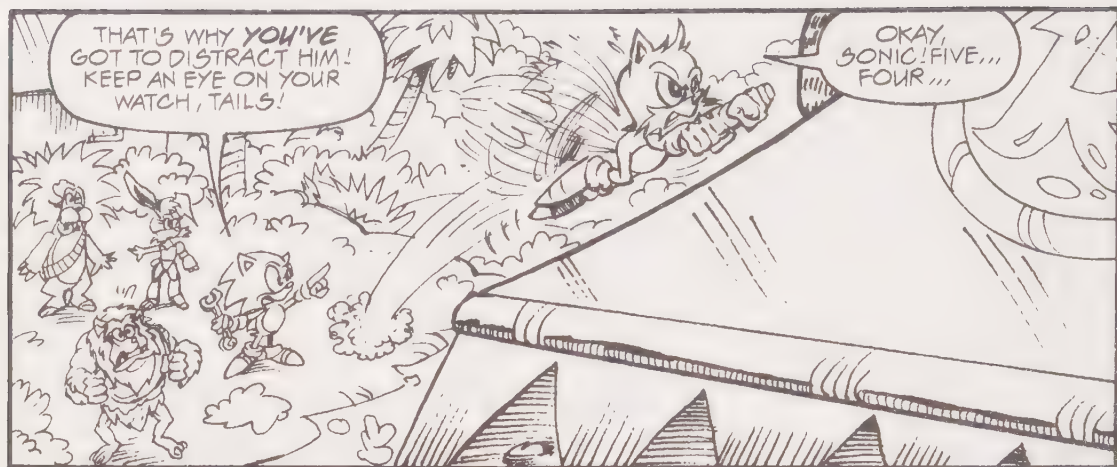
VERY FUNNY, HEDGEHOG!
WE'LL SEE WHO LAUGHS WHEN
DOCTOR ROBOTNIK ARRIVES
AND ORDERS YOU TO BE
ROBOTICIZED!

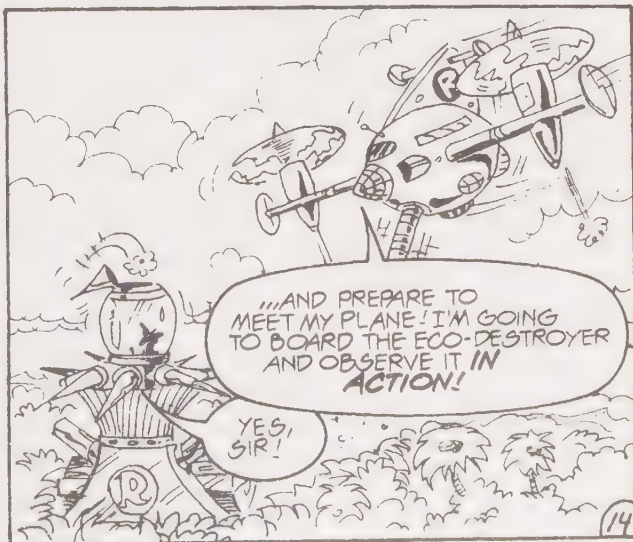
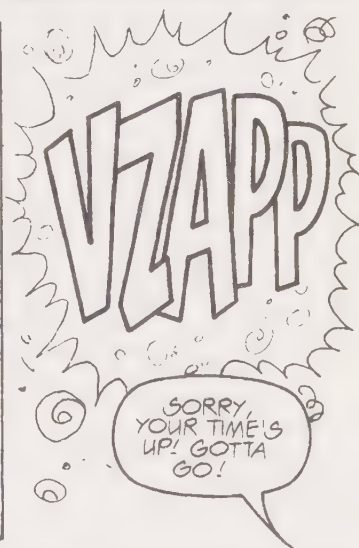
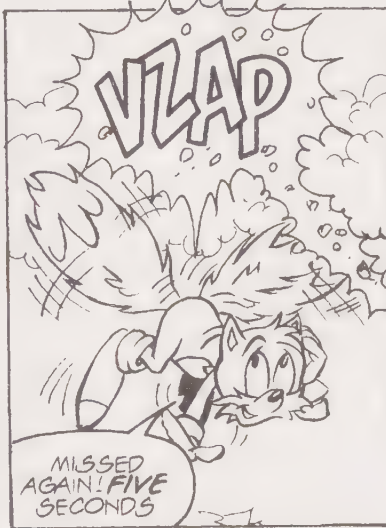
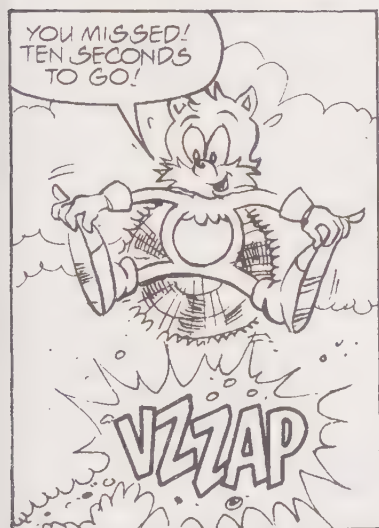
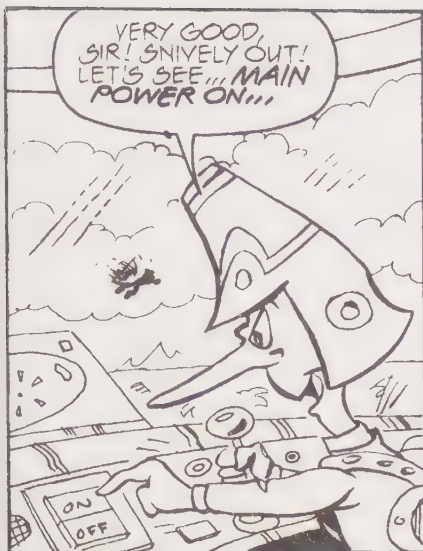
HE'S
LEAVING!
GET
READY...

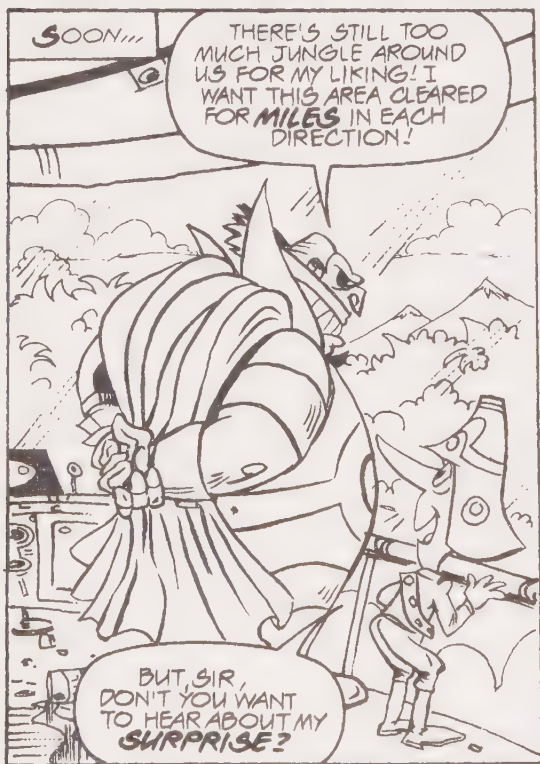
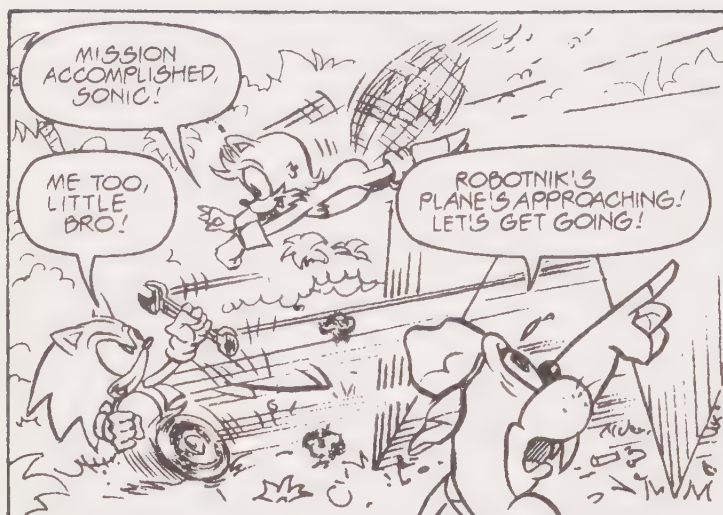


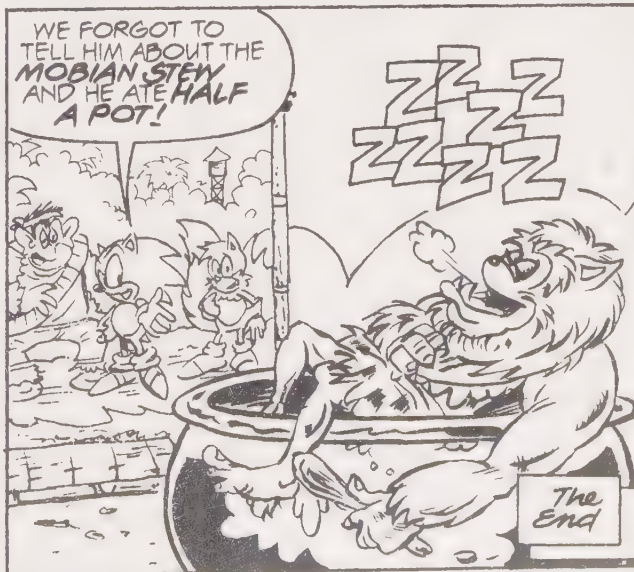
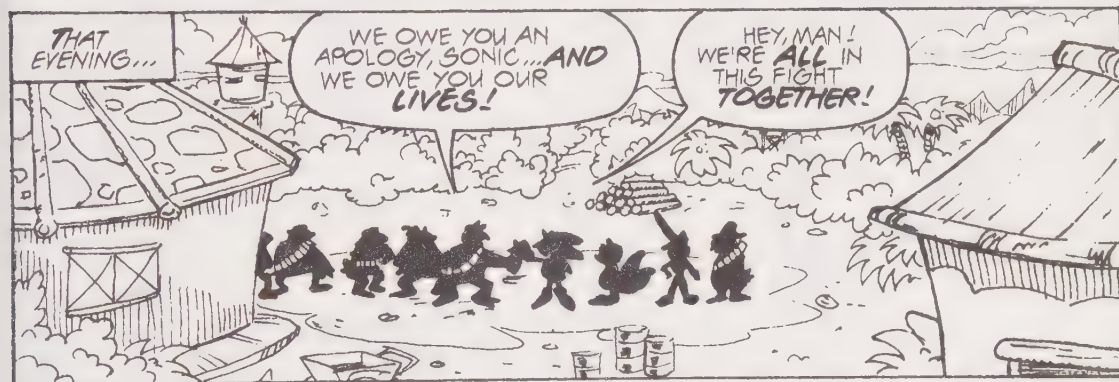
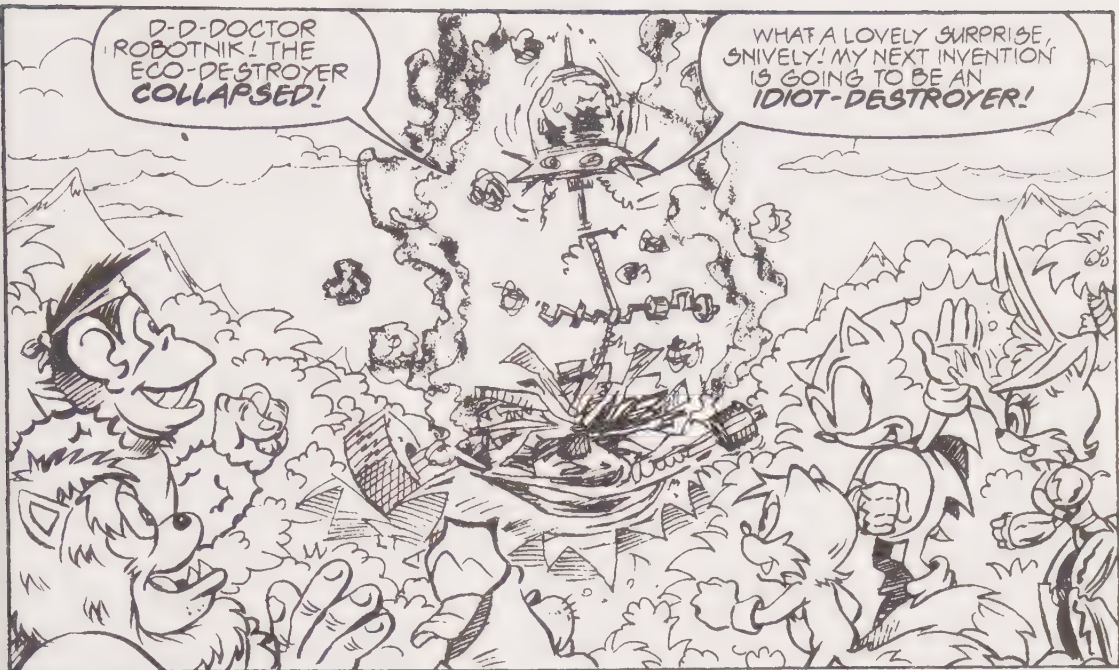












ACCEPTING THE MANTLE OF *GUARDIAN* OF THE *FLOATING ISLAND*, KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA KNEW HIS LIFE WOULD BE FRAUGHT WITH STALWART CHALLENGES...

EVER THE STAUNCH *HERO*, HE ACCEPTED THE FACT THAT HIS LIFE WOULD BE LADEN WITH *PERIL*...

PAT PAT PAT!

SWAK!

BUT WHEN HE MADE A VOW TO *PRINCESS SALLY* TO UNEARTH *KING ACORN'S* MISSING *ROYAL SWORD*...*

... NOT EVEN IN HIS *WILDEST DREAMS* DID HE BELIEVE HE'D END UP LITTLE MORE THAN A *TRAINED SEAL*!

MY *BODY* MAY BE *ENSLAVED*, BUT MY *THOUGHTS* ARE STILL MY OWN!

GOT TO REMEMBER HOW I WOUND UP HERE-- *THINK* OF A WAY OUTTA THIS MESS!

PEEL ME ANOTHER *GRAPE*, *SLAVE*!

KNUCKLES QUEST 3: A LAND OF DARK A KNIGHT OF VIRTUE!

* WHO DOESN'T REMEMBER THE EVENTS DEPICTED IN *SONIC #42*... EDITOR.

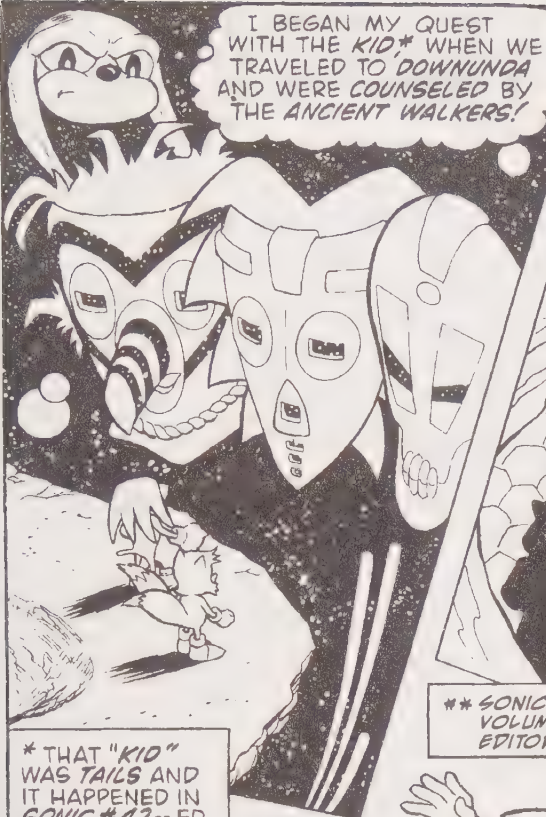
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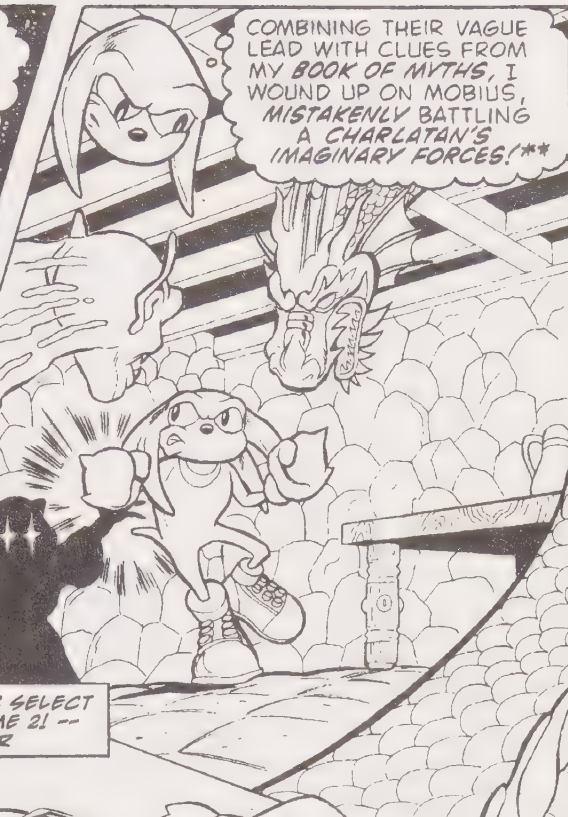
M. EISMAN
LETTERER

BARRY GROSSMAN
COLORIST



I BEGAN MY QUEST
WITH THE KID* WHEN WE
TRAVELED TO 'DOWNUNDA'
AND WERE COUNSELED BY
THE ANCIENT WALKERS!

* THAT "KID"
WAS TAILS AND
IT HAPPENED IN
SONIC #42-- ED



COMBINING THEIR VAGUE
LEAD WITH CLUES FROM
MY BOOK OF MYTHS, I
WOUND UP ON MOBIUS,
MISTAKENLY BATTLING
A CHARLATAN'S
'IMAGINARY FORCES!'

** SONIC SELECT
VOLUME 2! --
EDITOR



"I THEN GOT SIDE-TRACKED
HELPING SONIC BATTLE HIS
EVIL TWIN AND ROBOTNIK!***

*** SONIC #44!
-- ED AGAIN

SNAP!

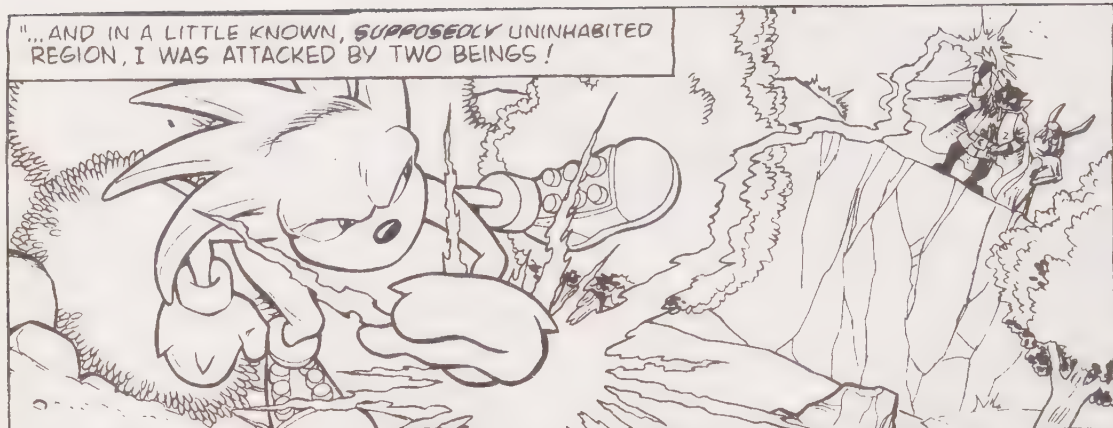
"RETURNING HOME,
I ENLISTED THE
CHAOTIX' HELP IN
RESUMING MY QUEST!"

BOOK OF
MYTHS

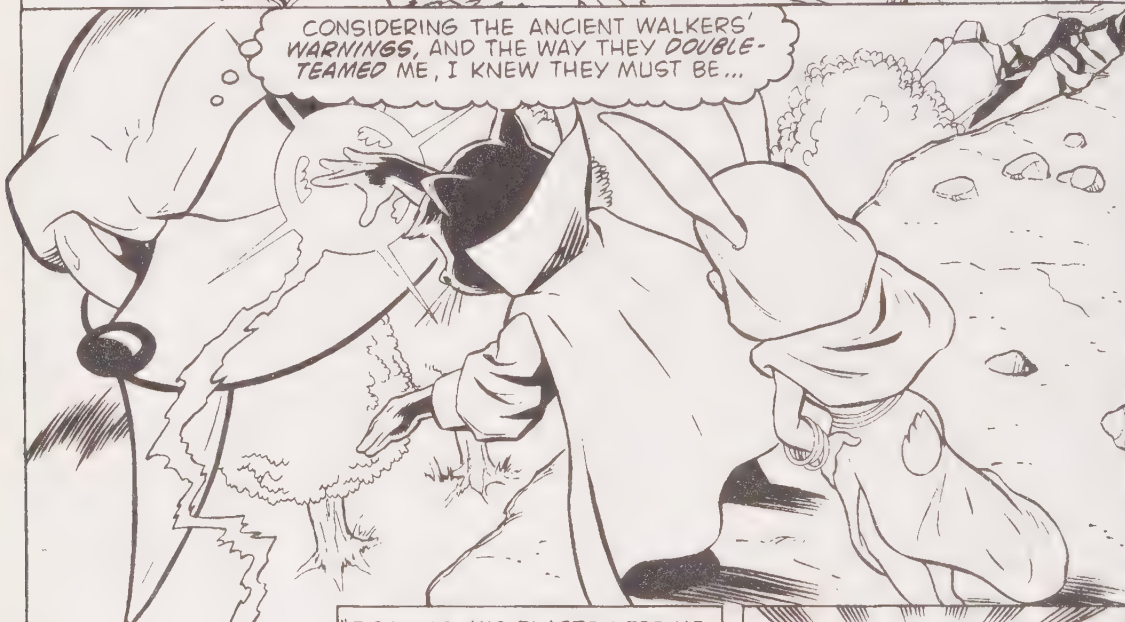
"BELIEVING THE CHARLATAN'S CLUE OF THE LAND OF DARK' TO BE AN OLD NAME
FOR THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE ISLAND'S FORBIDDEN ZONE, I VENTURED FORTH..."

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"...AND IN A LITTLE KNOWN, SUPPOSEDLY UNINHABITED REGION, I WAS ATTACKED BY TWO BEINGS!



CONSIDERING THE ANCIENT WALKERS' WARNINGS, AND THE WAY THEY DOUBLE-TEAMED ME, I KNEW THEY MUST BE...



"DODGING HIS BLASTS LEFT ME WIDE OPEN-- WITH ONE LOOK, SHE CONTROLLED MY WILL!"

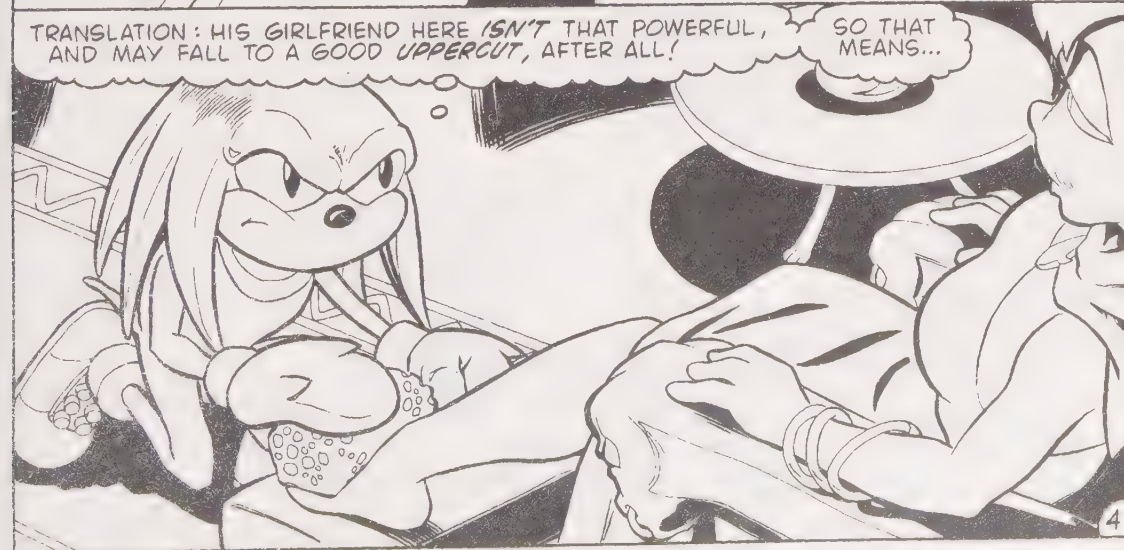
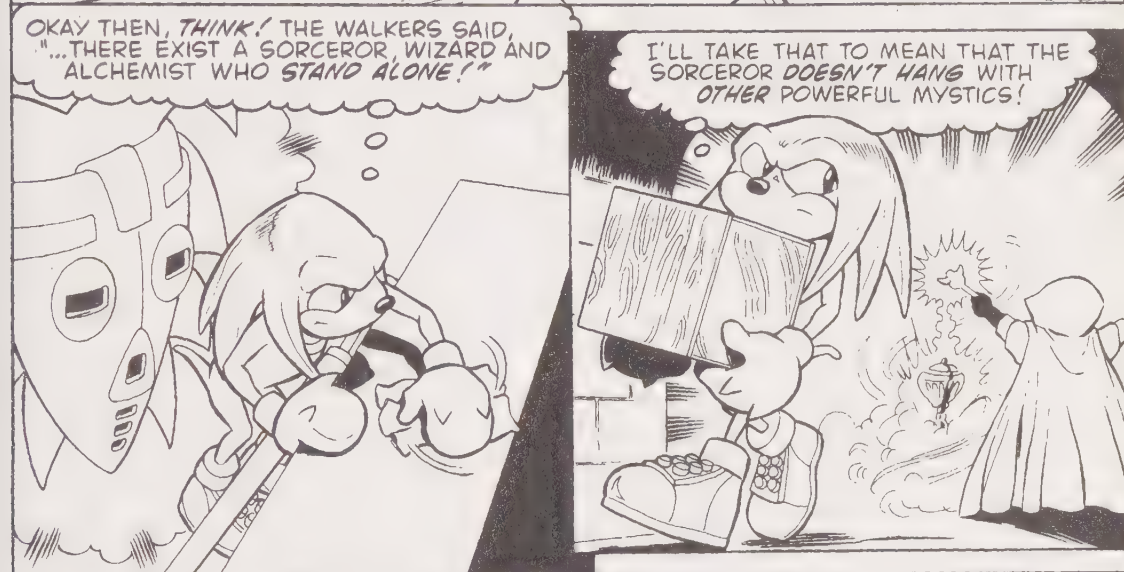
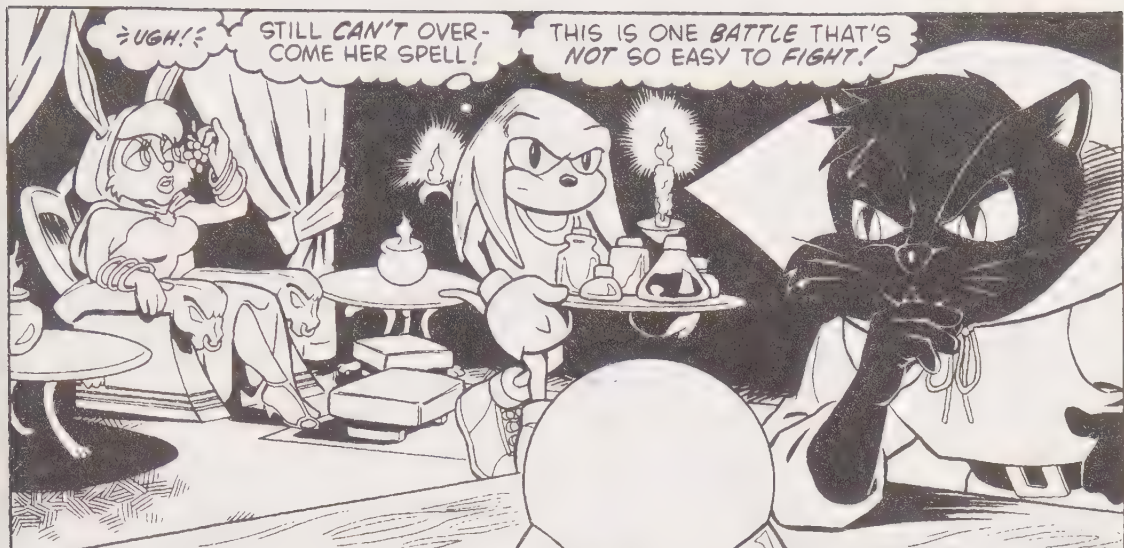


THE SORCEROR! AND THE ENCHANTRESS!



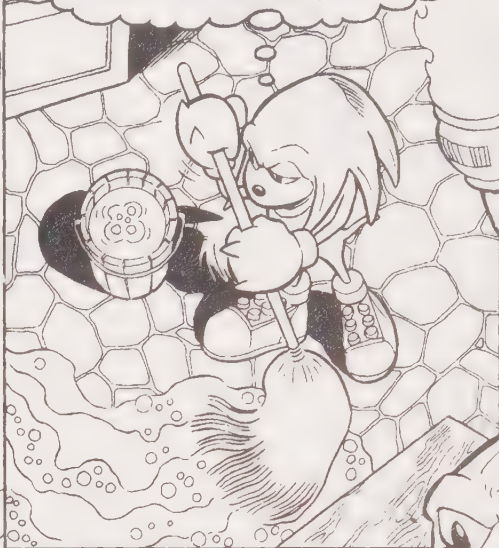
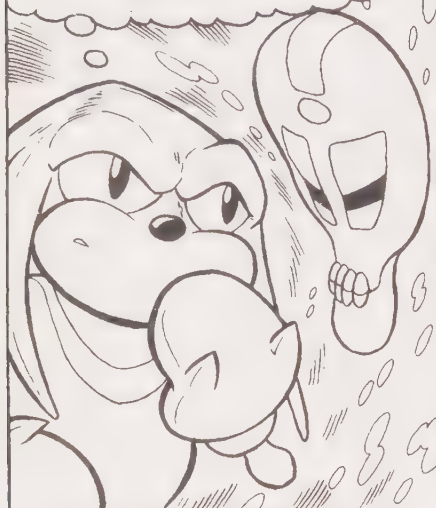
NOW I'M THEIR SERVANT, THE FIRST OF THEIR UNWILLING ARMY, UNLESS I--

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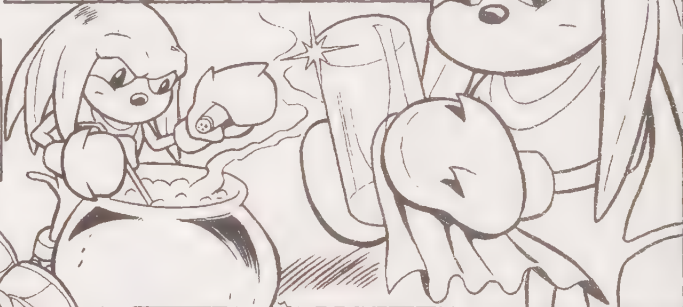


STAY CALM! OKAY-- "A CHARLATAN, ENCHANTRESS AND PALADIN WITH FAIRNESS AND COURAGE THOU MUST FACE, WITH *PATIENCE* AND FORTITUDE A BLADE OF STEEL THOU MAY EMBRACE!"

I'VE FACED A CHARLATAN, I'M FACING THE ENCHANTRESS; I DON'T SEE A PALADIN-- FORCING ME TO JUST BE *PATIENT*!



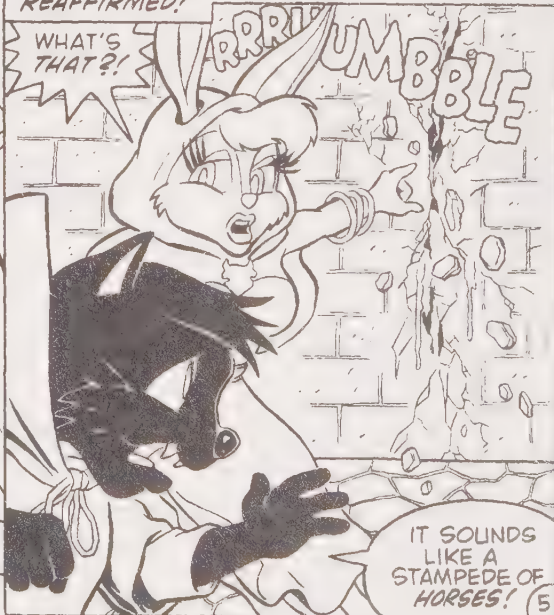
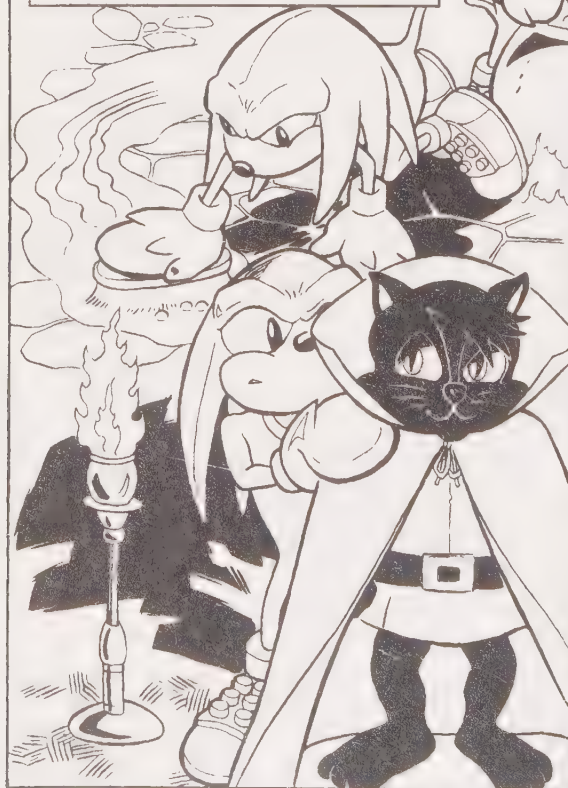
THROUGH SHEER STRENGTH OF WILL, THE UNYIELDING ECHIDNA PASSES ON, PERFORMING MENIAL TASK AFTER MENIAL TASK, THE HOURS TURNING INTO *DAYS*...



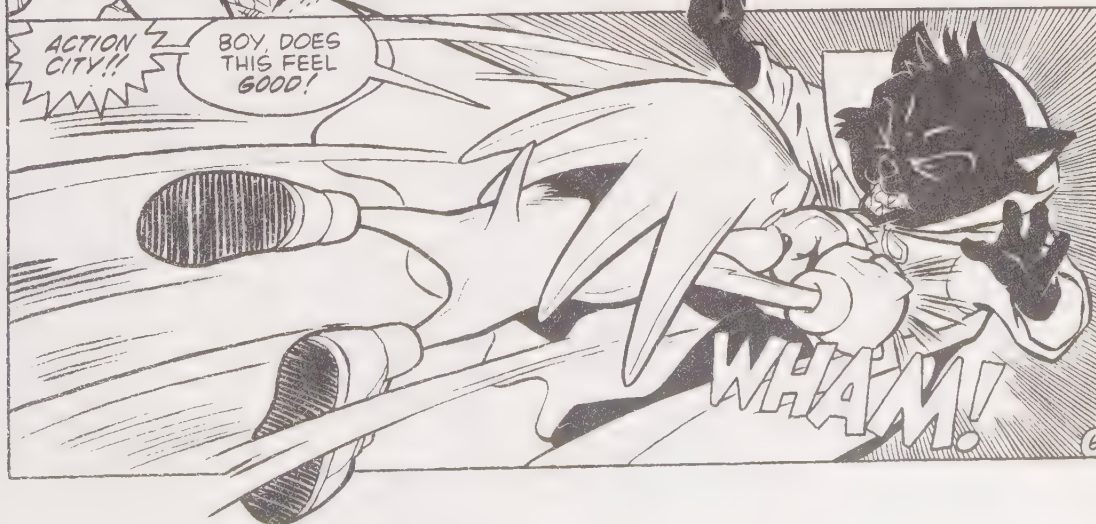
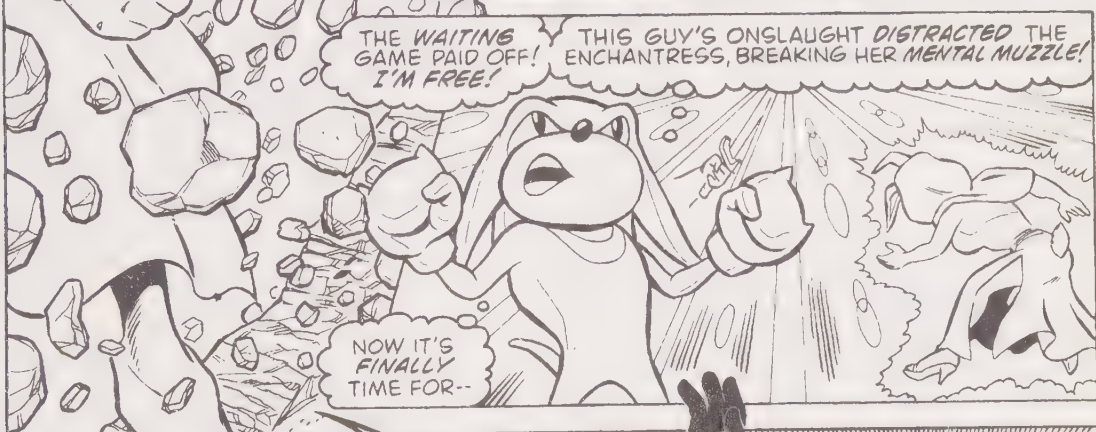
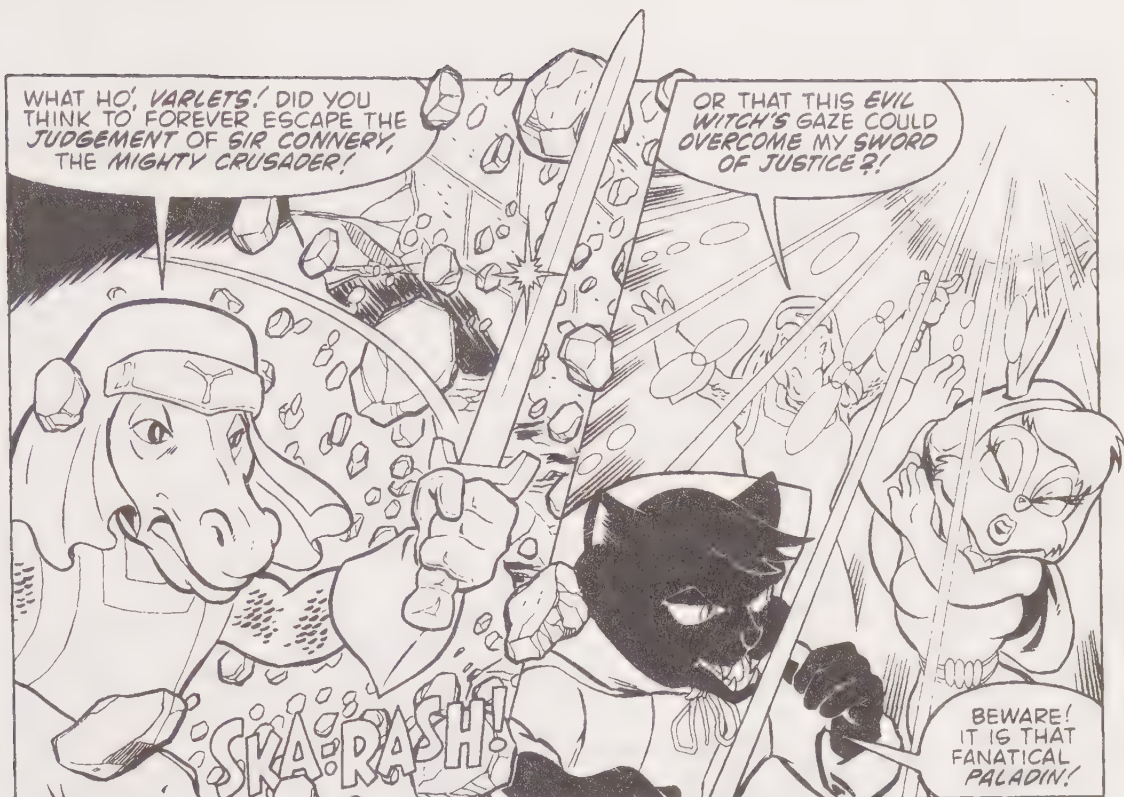
WITH VIRTUALLY ALL HOPE *GONE* AND DESPERATION *DESCENDING*, AS IF BY DIVINE RIGHT HIS *FAITH* OF PERVERSANCE IS *REAFFIRMED*!

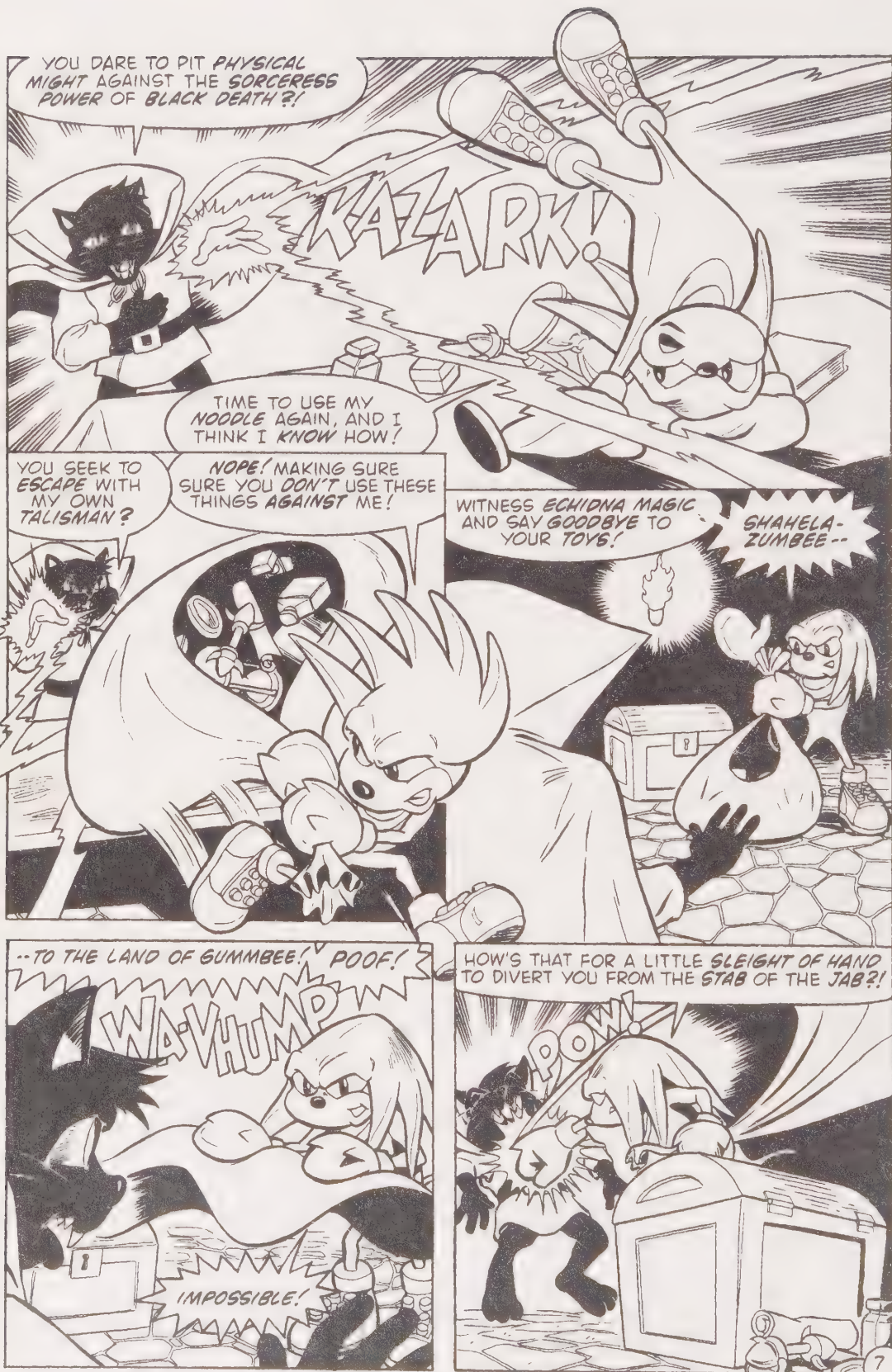
WHAT'S THAT?!

RRRIIIMMBBLE



IT SOUNDS LIKE A STAMPEDE OF HORSES! (5)

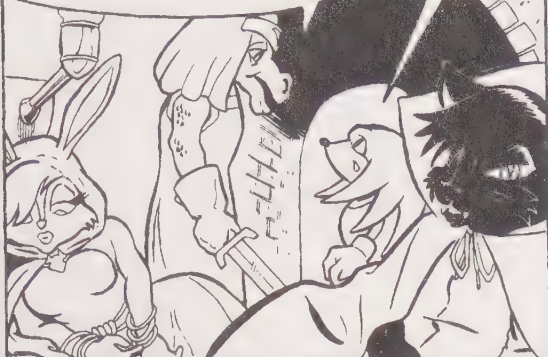




AFTER SECURING THE PRISONERS, INTRODUCTIONS AND EXPLANATIONS ARE MADE ...

--AND I LEFT MY POST IN KING ACORN'S ROYAL GUARD WHEN THE CALL CAME UPON ME TO PURGE *BLACK MAGIC* FROM ALL THE REALMS!

WHAT ABOUT YOUR *SWORD*? IS IT THE KING'S?

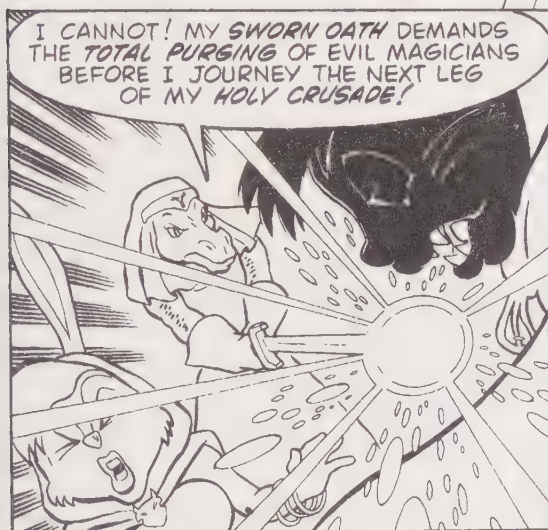


NO, IT WAS GIVEN TO ME BY MY PATRON DIETIES, THE *ANCIENT WALKERS*!

HEY! SINCE I'M THEIR NUMBER ONE BOY, WHY DON'T YOU *JOIN* ME?

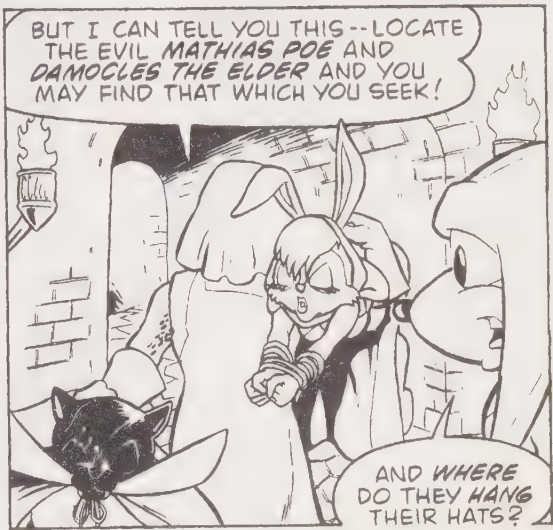


I CANNOT! MY *SWORN OATH* DEMANDS THE *TOTAL PURGING* OF EVIL MAGICIANS BEFORE I JOURNEY THE NEXT LEG OF MY *HOLY CRUSADE*!



BUT I CAN TELL YOU THIS--LOCATE THE EVIL *MATHIAS POE* AND *DAMOCLES THE ELDER* AND YOU MAY FIND THAT WHICH YOU SEEK!

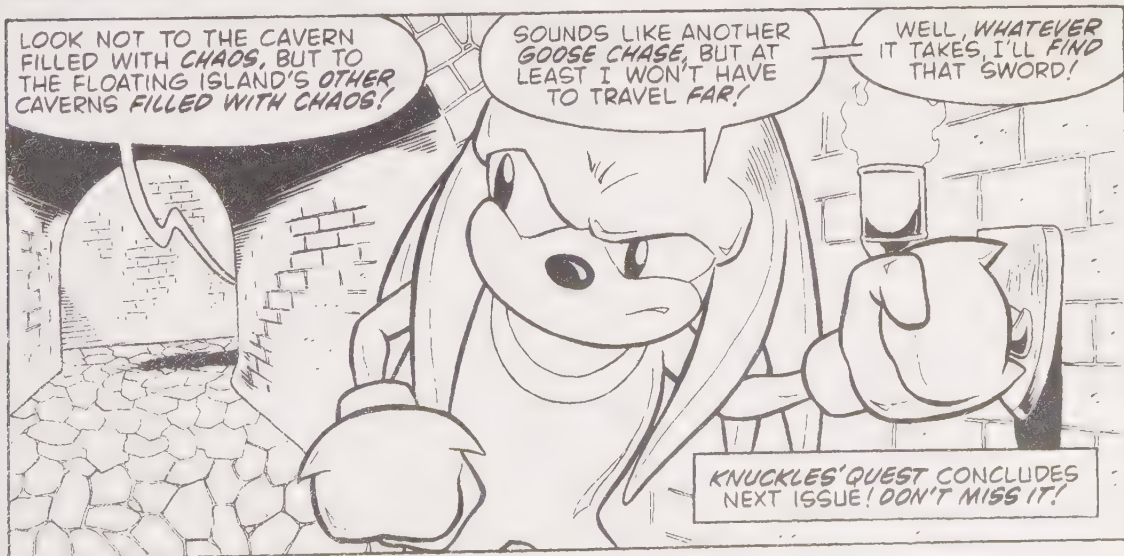
AND WHERE DO THEY HANG THEIR HATS?



LOOK NOT TO THE CAVERN FILLED WITH *CHAOS*, BUT TO THE FLOATING ISLAND'S *OTHER CAVERNS FILLED WITH CHAOS*!

SOUNDS LIKE ANOTHER *GOOSE CHASE*, BUT AT LEAST I WON'T HAVE TO TRAVEL FAR!

WELL, WHATEVER IT TAKES, I'LL FIND THAT *SWORD*!



KNUCKLES' QUEST CONCLUDES NEXT ISSUE! DON'T MISS IT!

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ADVENTURE
SERIES

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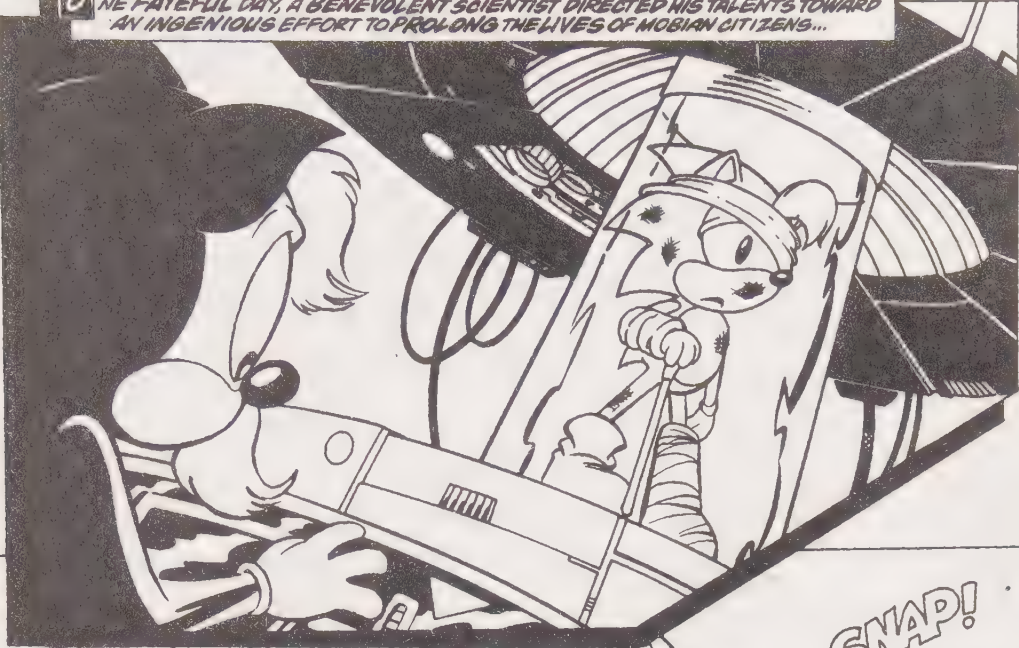


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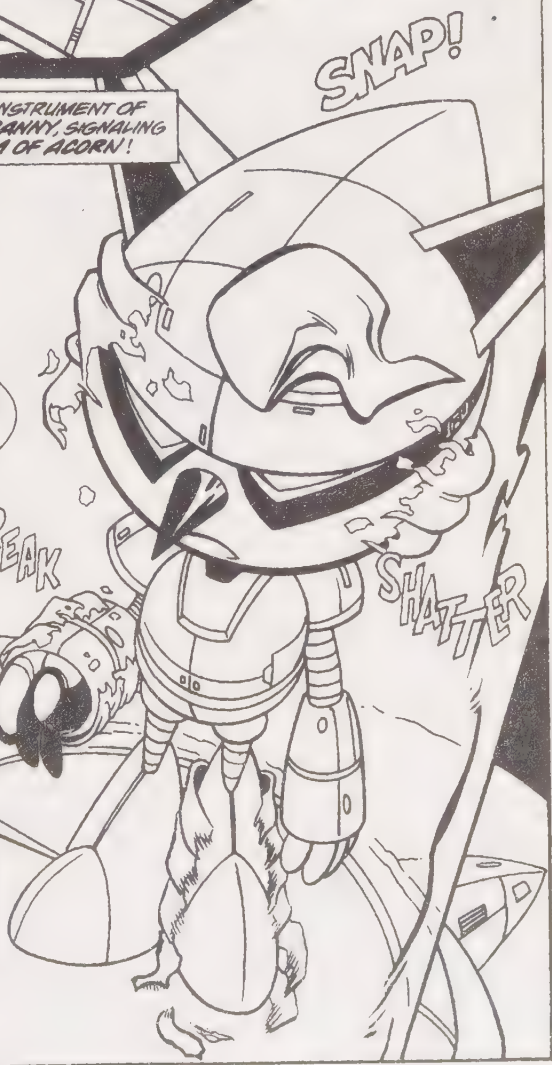
THE HEDGEHOG™



ONE FATEFUL DAY, A BENEVOLENT SCIENTIST DIRECTED HIS TALENTS TOWARD AN INGENUOUS EFFORT TO PROLONG THE LIVES OF MOBIAN CITIZENS...



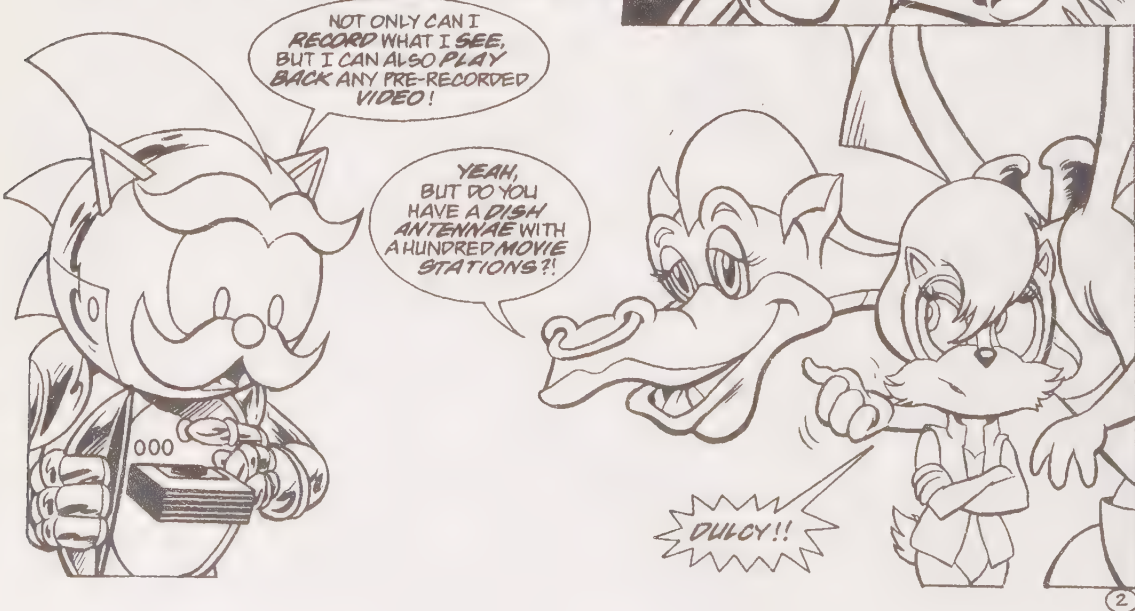
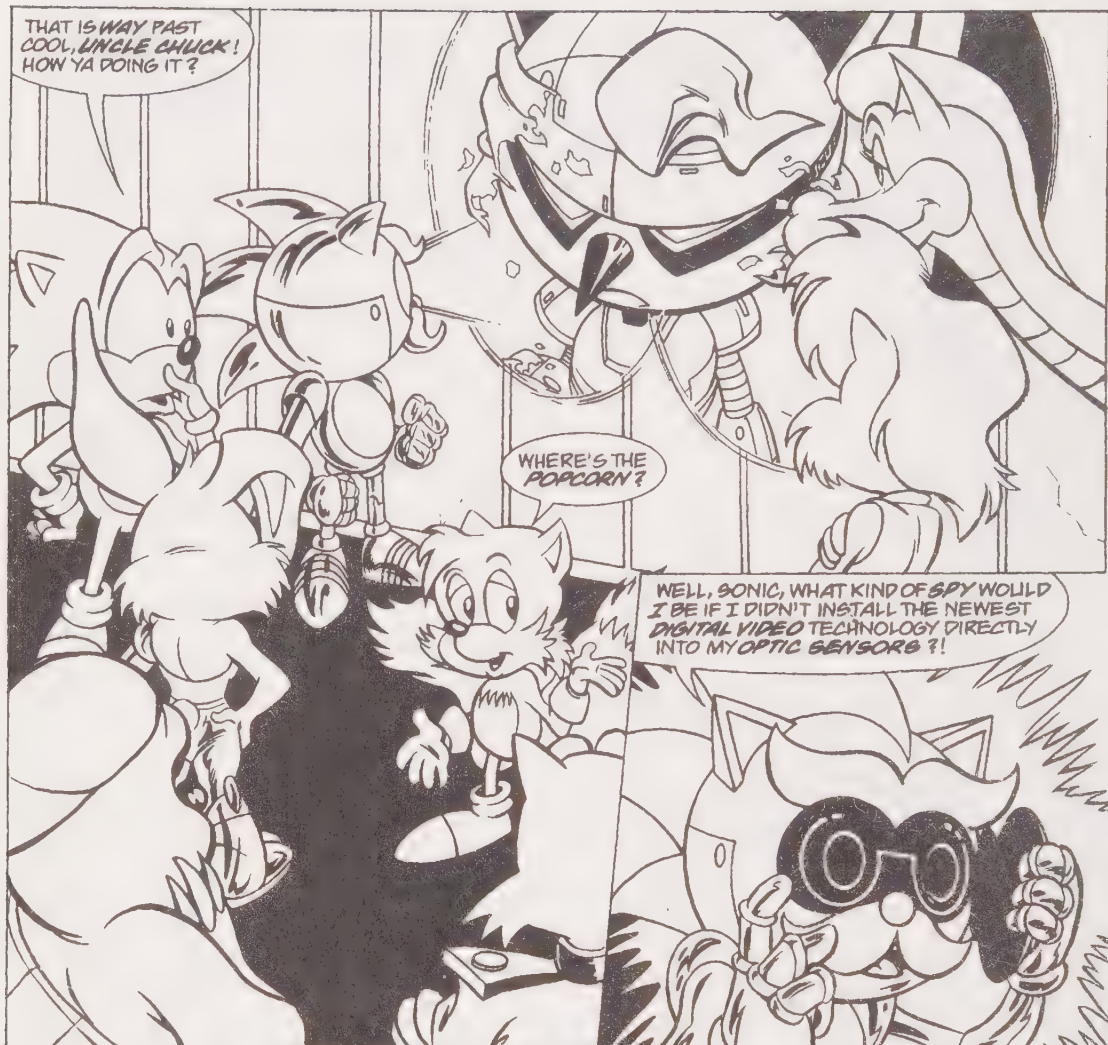
...AND IN DOING SO, INADVERTENTLY CREATED AN INSTRUMENT OF DOMINATION, USED AS PART OF A SWEEPING TIDE OF TYRANNY, SIGNALING THE DOWNFALL OF PLANET MOBIUS AND ITS KINGDOM OF ACORN!



A COUNTDOWN TO ARMAGEDDON

PART ONE

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NOT QUITE.
HOWEVER--

--RETRIEVED FROM
ROBOTROPOLIS BY MY *SPY*
NETWORK; THIS VIDEO IS
A BY-PRODUCT OF A SECRET
SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM
USED IN THE FORMER
ROYAL PALACE--

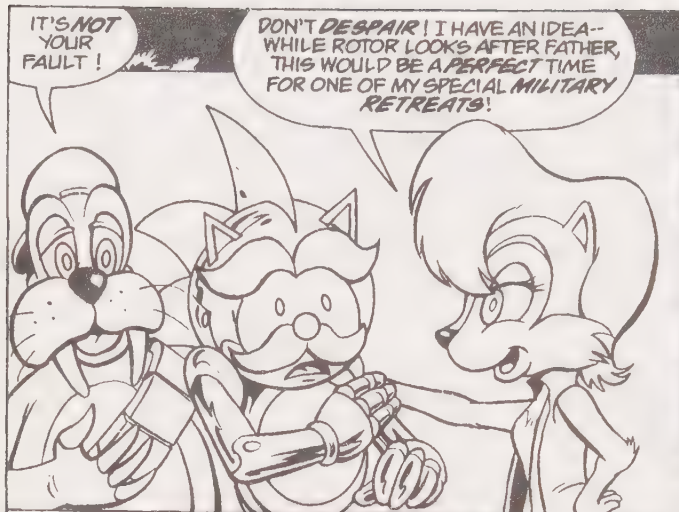
"--AND PROVIDES PROOF THAT
ROBOTNIK, IN HIS FORMER
IDENTITY AS *WARLORD*
JULIAN, SABOTAGED MY
ORIGINAL ROBOTICIZER!"

"IT WAS HIS INTERVENTION
THAT *TRANSFORMED* A
TOOL OF MEDICINE INTO A
WEAPON OF WAR."

AND EXCEPT FOR A
FEW TIMES WHEN WE WERE
LUCKY*, I *DON'T* THINK
WE'LL EVER BE ABLE TO
DEROBOTICIZE ALL
THOSE POOR SOULS!

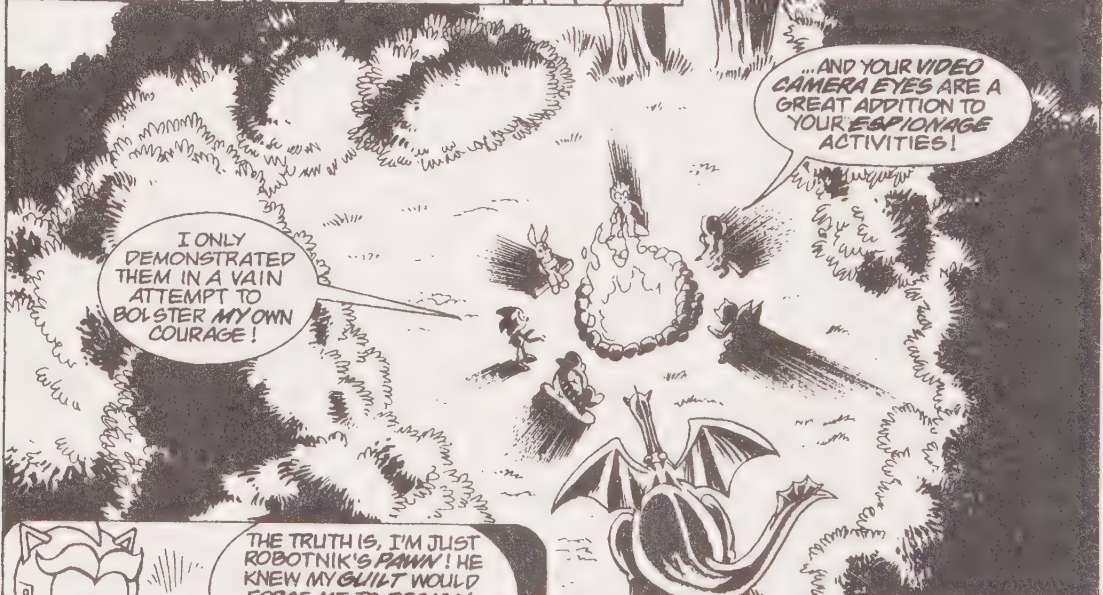
SOME
HUMANITARIAN
I AM!

* CHECK OUT
SONIC #37-
EDITOR.

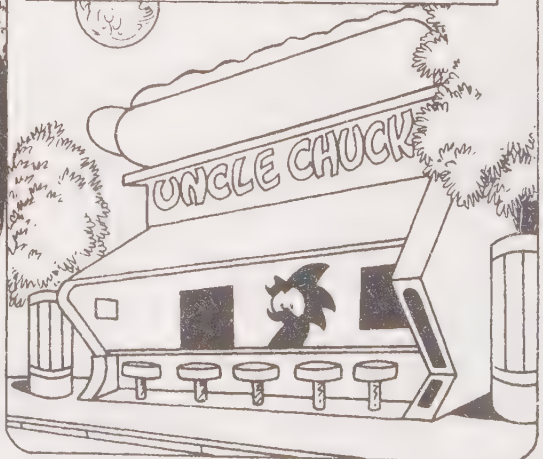


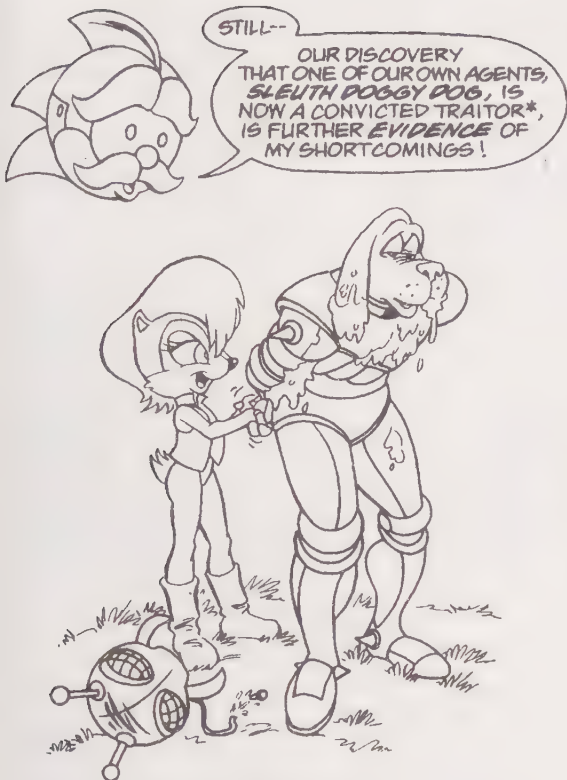
4 S TWILIGHT DESCENDS, PRINCESS SALLY ATTEMPTS TO USE THE PICTURESQUE GREAT FOREST AS A SERENE BACKDROP TO RENEW HER TROOPS' RESOLVE...

...BUT AS THE CAMPFIRE POW-WOW TAKES PLACE...

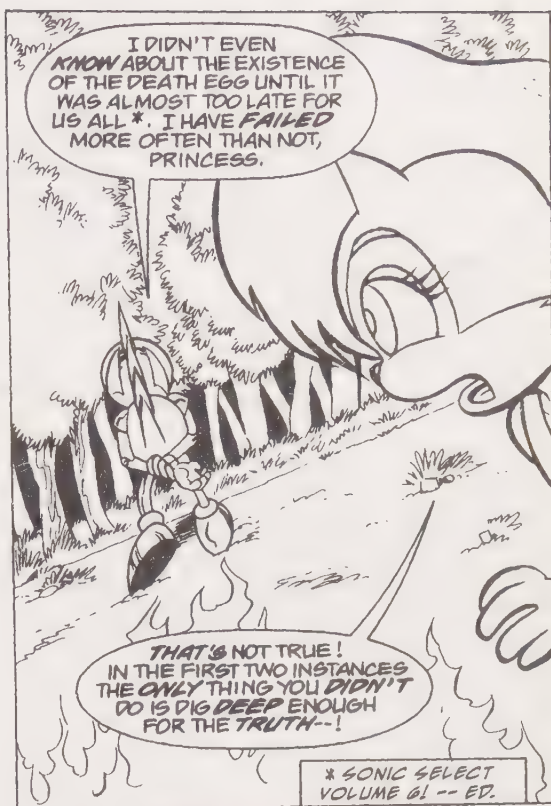


"SO I SUPPRESSED MY REMORSE BY TRANSFORMING FROM SIR CHARLES, INVENTOR, TO UNCLE CHUCK, CHILI-DOG PROPRIETOR!"

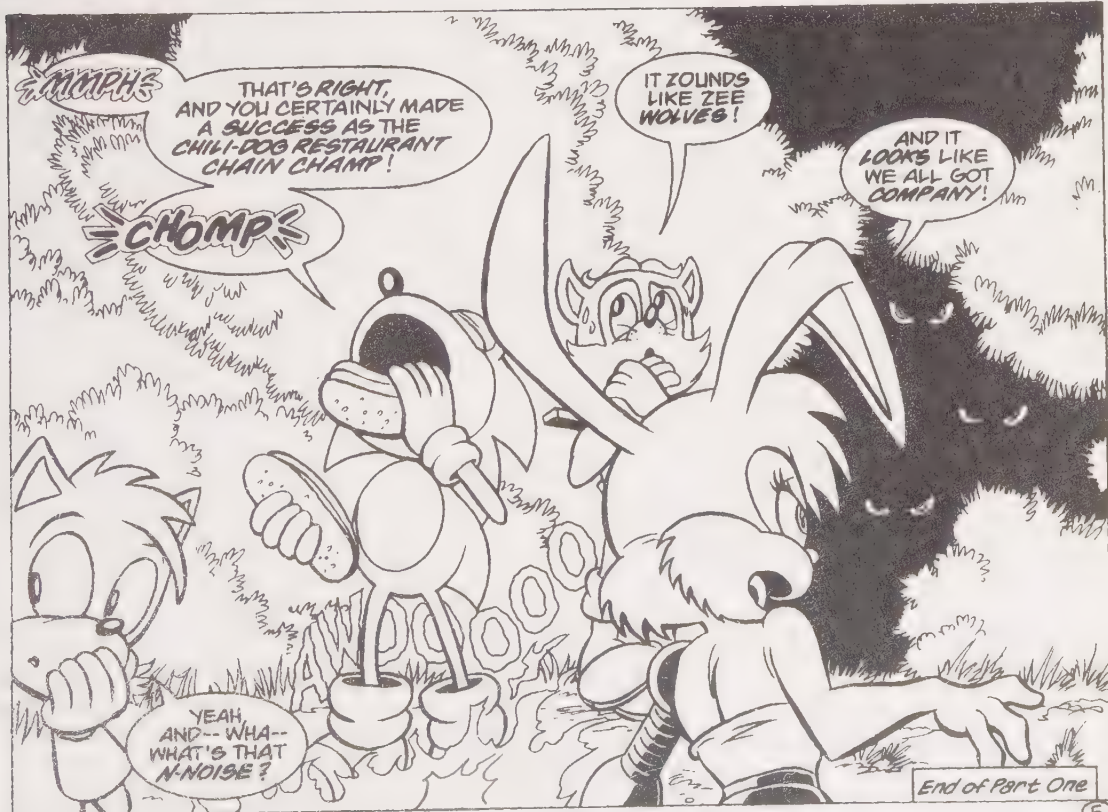




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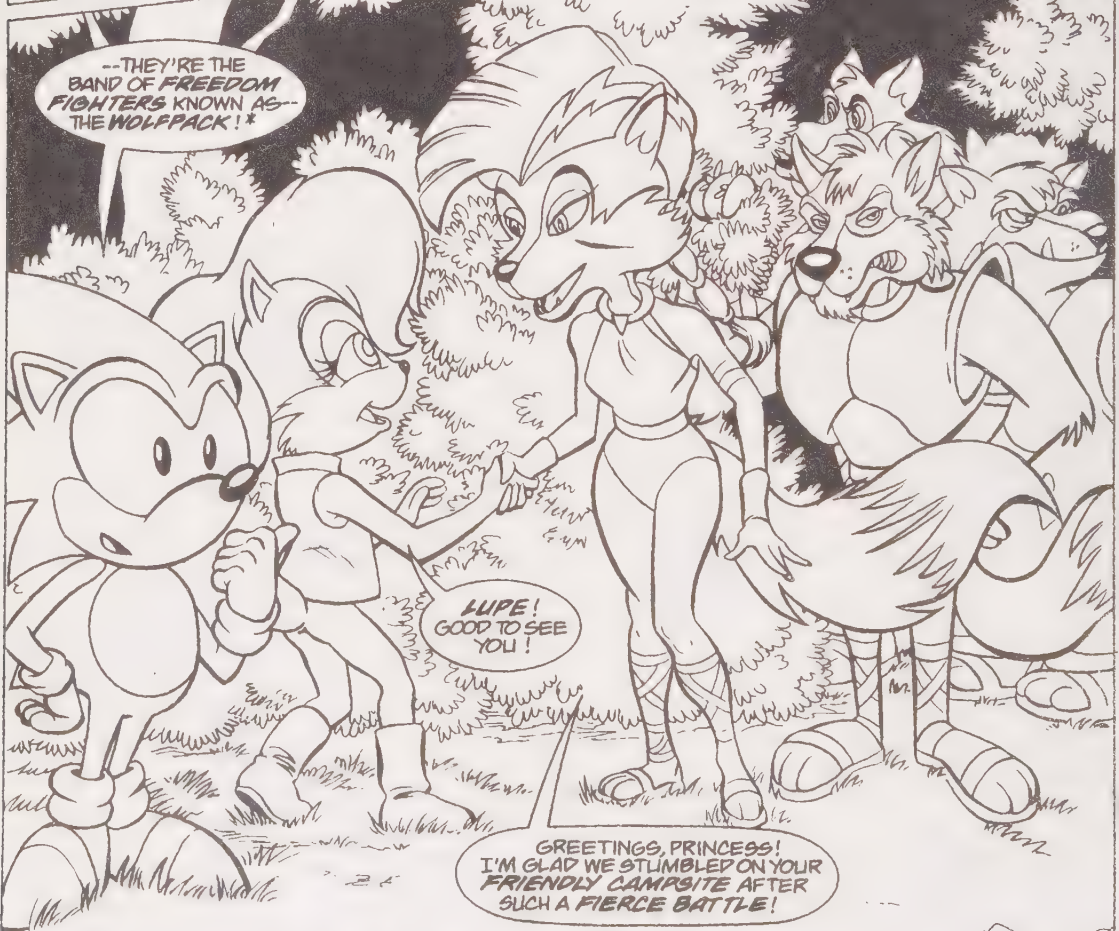
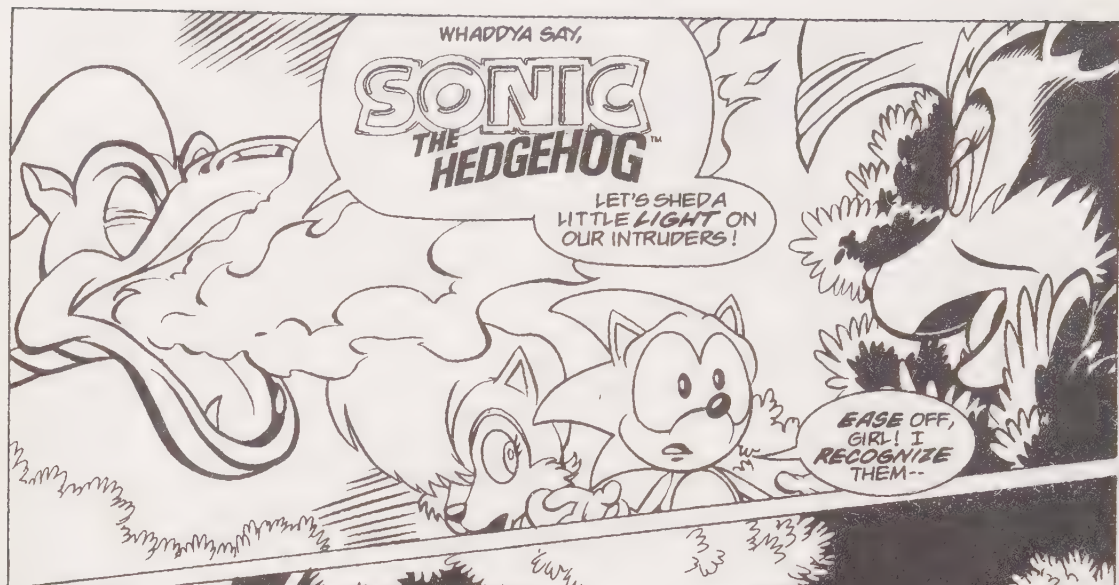


* SONIC SELECT VOLUME 61 -- ED.



End of Part One

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* FIRST SEEN IN
THE ANIMATED
EPISODE "CRY
OF THE WOLF".
EDITOR.

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PART TWO

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A S THE COVERT GROUP OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS DETAIL THEIR RECENT CONFLICT...

--AND ROBOTNIK'S BUILDING A NEW LINE OF SUPER 'BOTS!

I HOPE THEY'RE NOT WORSE THAN HIS COMBOTS!*



*LAST SEEN IN SONIC # 38-- EDITOR.

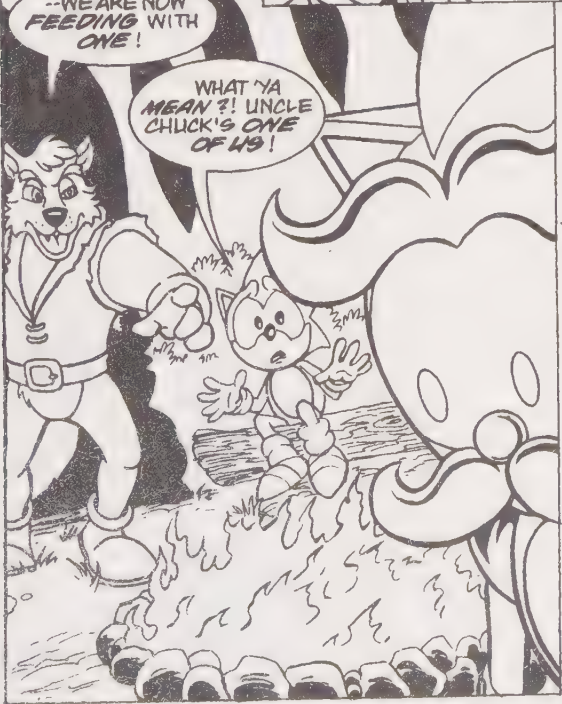
DRAGO, DON'T YA LIKE YER CHILI DO--ER--CHILI WIENER?

YES, WHAT'S DISTURBING ME IS THAT AFTER LEAVING A DEN OF ROBOTS--



--WE ARE NOW FEEDING WITH ONE!

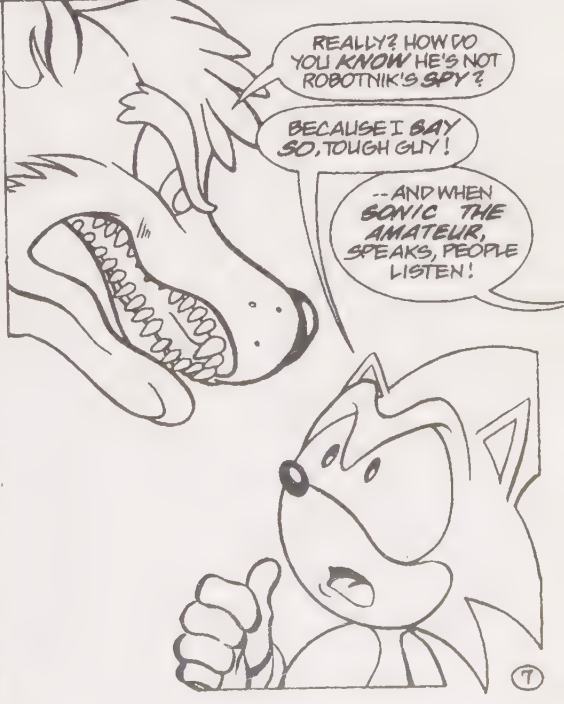
WHAT YA MEAN?! UNCLE CHUCK'S ONE OF US!



REALLY? HOW DO YOU KNOW HE'S NOT ROBOTNIK'S SPY?

BECAUSE I SAY SO, TOUGH GUY!

--AND WHEN SONIC THE AMATEUR, SPEAKS, PEOPLE LISTEN!



NOW TAKE MY
PROFESSIONAL
ADVICE--CLIT DOWN ON
THE CAMPFIRE BEFORE
YOU ATTRACT THE **ENTIRE**
PLANET!

GEOFFREY
ST. JOHN*, WHAT
ARE YOU DOING
HERE ?

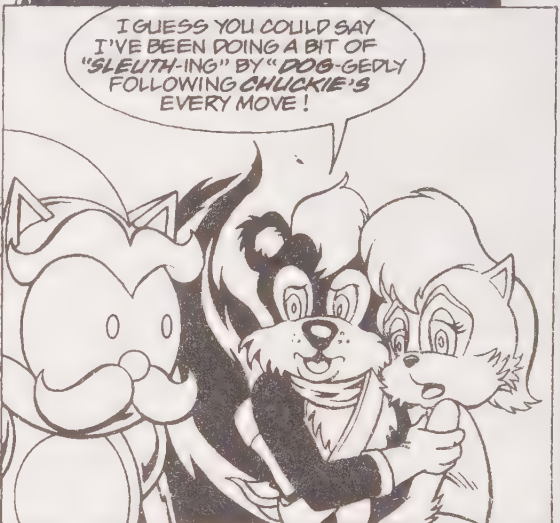


*REMEMBER HIM, GANG ? HE FIRST
APPEARED IN THE PRINCESS SALLY MINI-
SERIES, AND HAS BEEN A PAIN IN SONIC'S
SIDE SINCE ISSUE #31! -- EDITOR.

HELLO,
LUV!

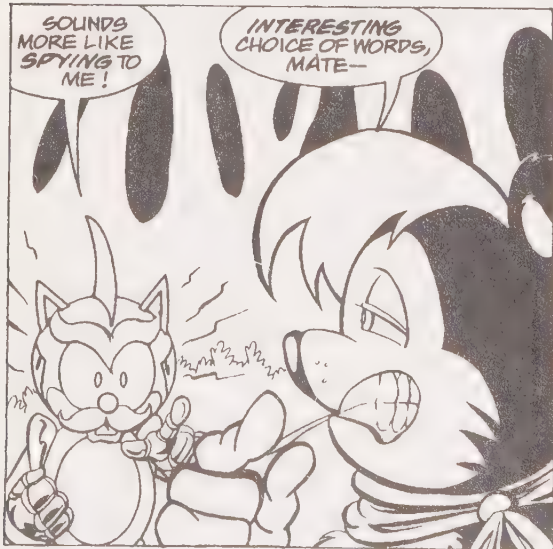


I GUESS YOU COULD SAY
I'VE BEEN DOING A BIT OF
"SLEUTH-ING" BY "DOG-GEDLY"
FOLLOWING **CHUCKIE'S**
EVERY MOVE!



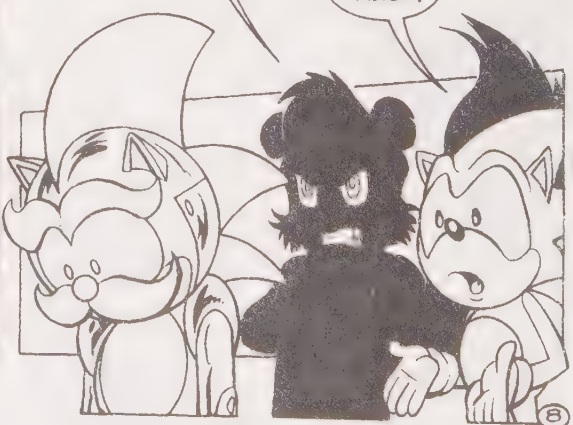
SOUNDS
MORE LIKE
SPYING TO
ME!

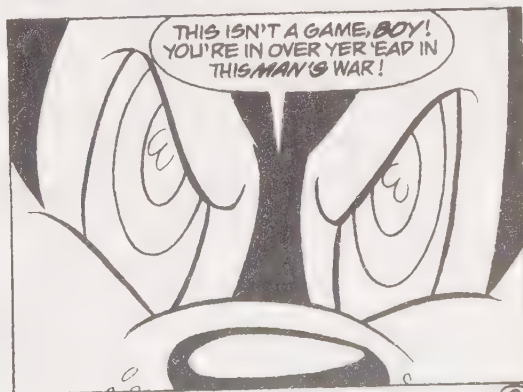
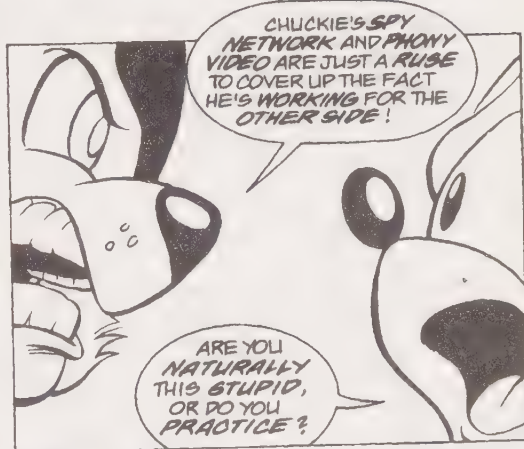
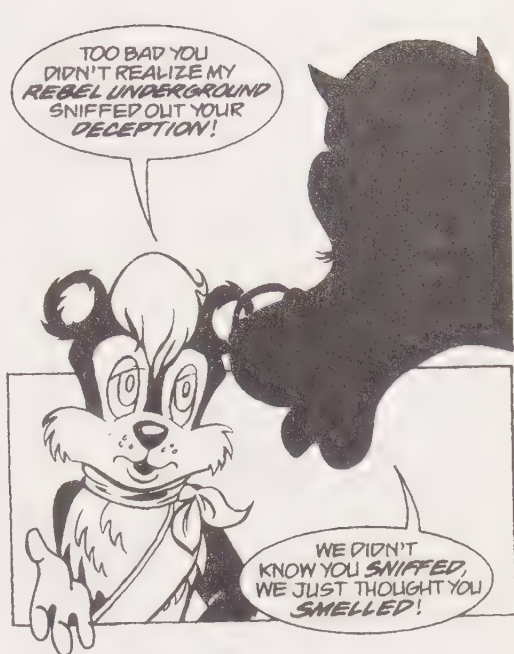
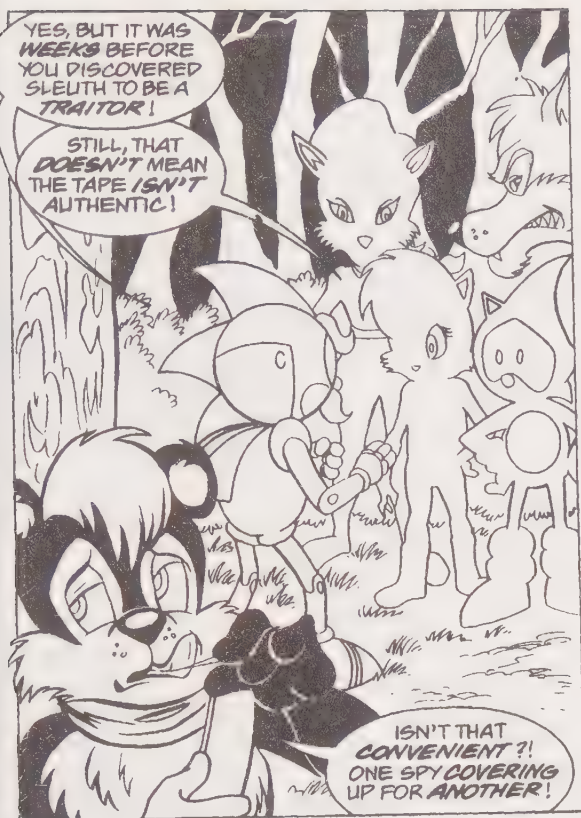
INTERESTING
CHOICE OF WORDS,
MATE--

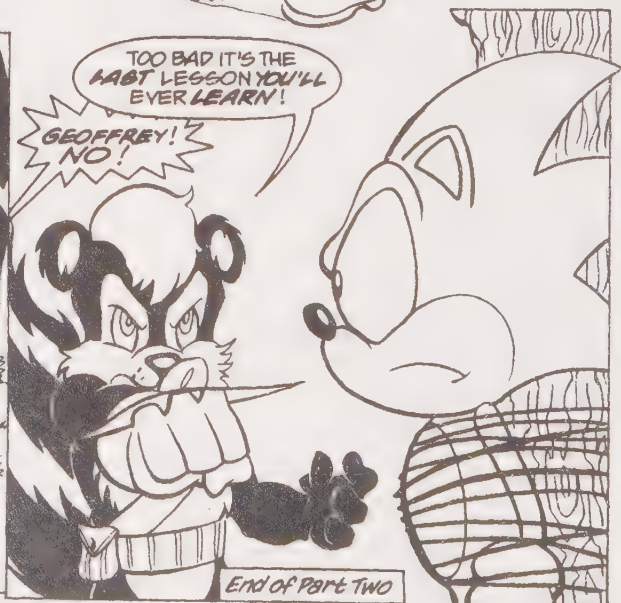
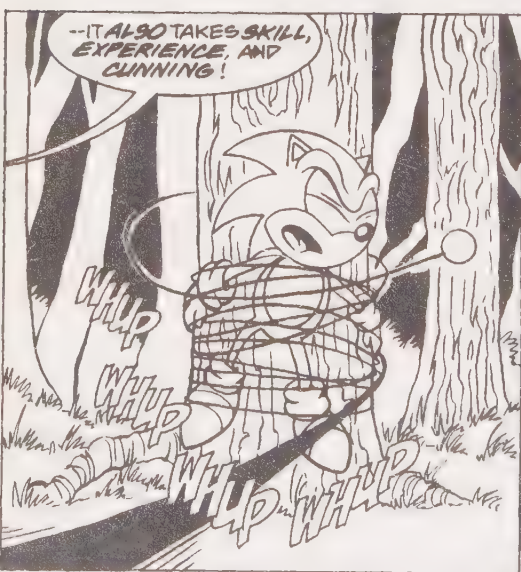
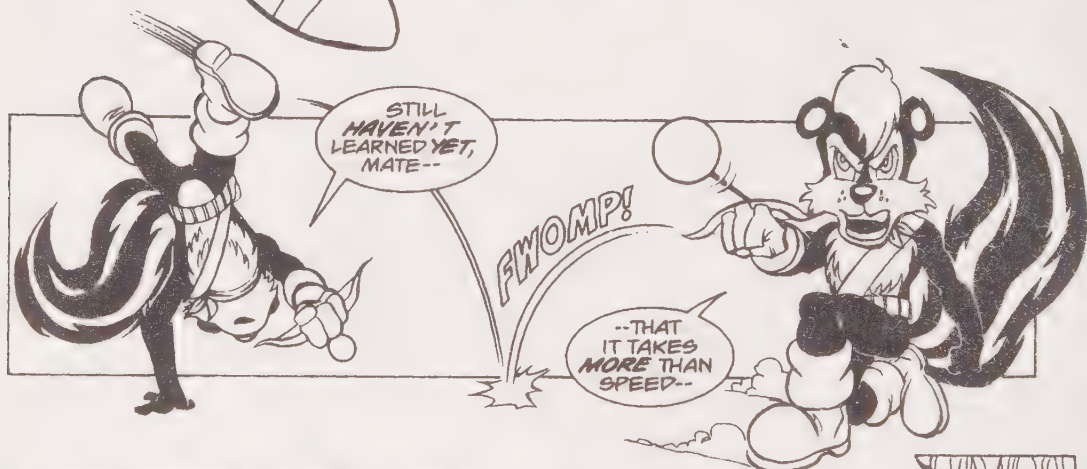
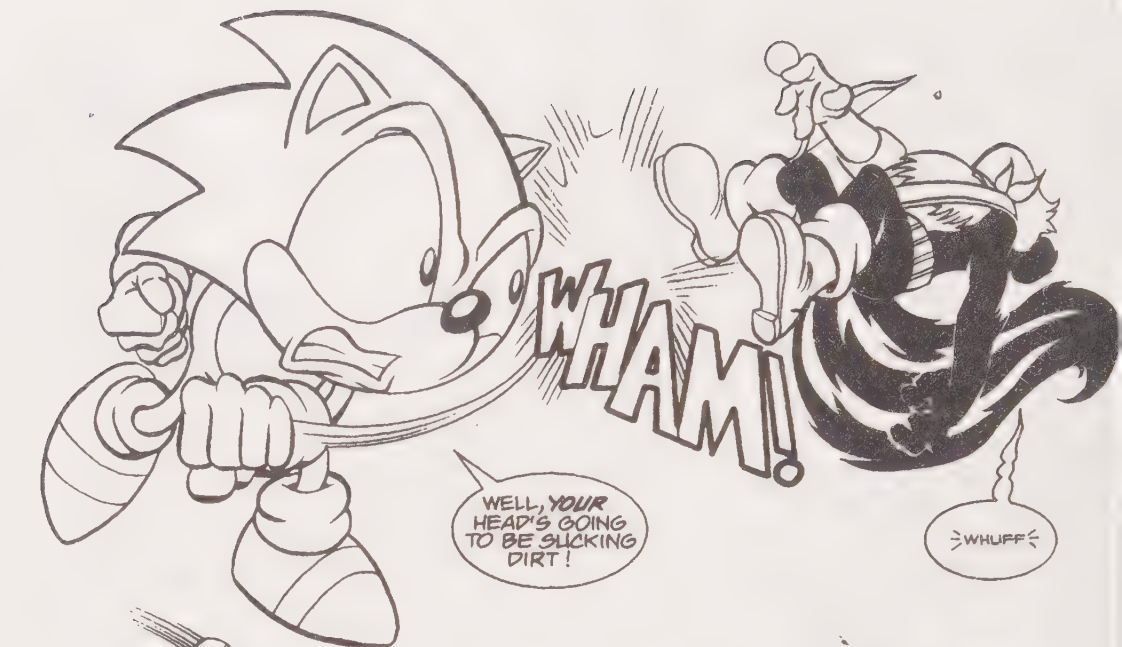


--ESPECIALLY SINCE
THE **AGENT** WHO UNCOVERED
YOUR VIDEO WAS ONE OF
ROBOTNIK'S SPIES--**SLEUTH**
DOGGY DOG!

IS THIS
TRUE?







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PART THREE

THAT EES ENOUGH!

THE 'EDGEHOG MAY BE ZEE IMBECILE LIKE YOU, BUT EVEN HE DOES NOT DESAIRVE DEATH!

SAVED AND INSULTED IN THE SAME SECOND-- NOW THAT'S SPEED!

THRACK!

WOW! WOTTA PUNCH!

WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM, MATE? THIS DOESN'T INVOLVE YOU!

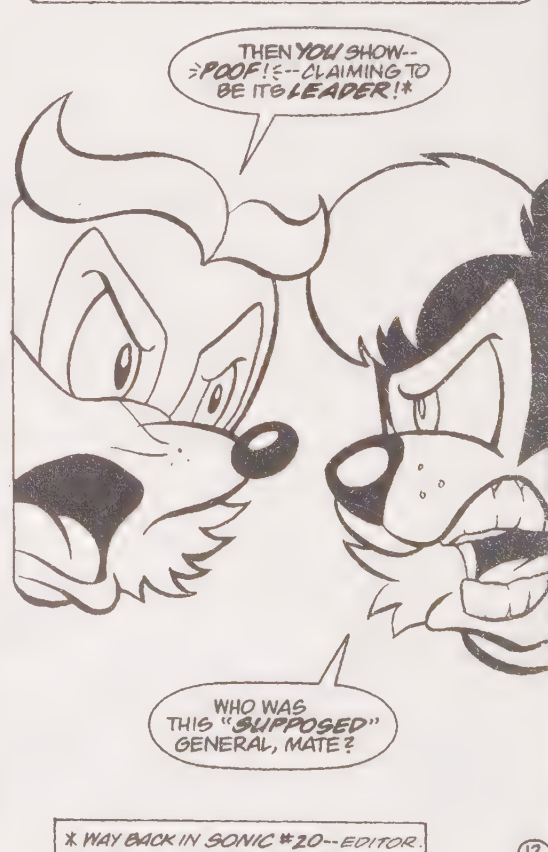
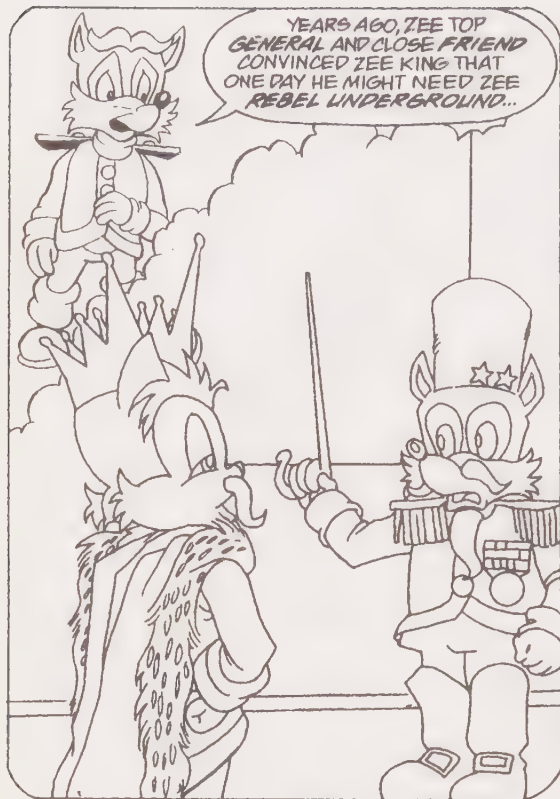
MY PROBLEM IS WITH YOU, L'PEW.

I WILL NO LONGER SUBDUDE MY DOLIBTS ABOUT YOU!

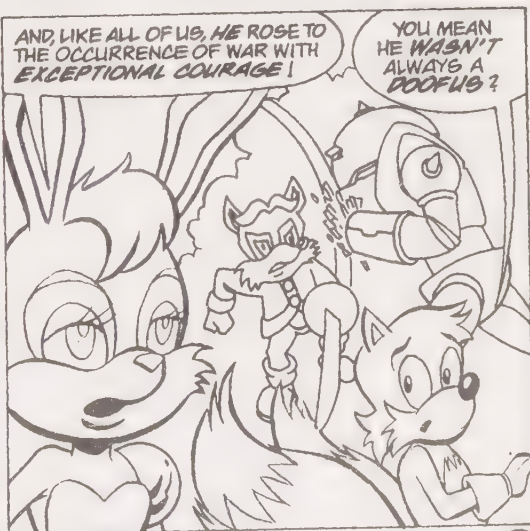
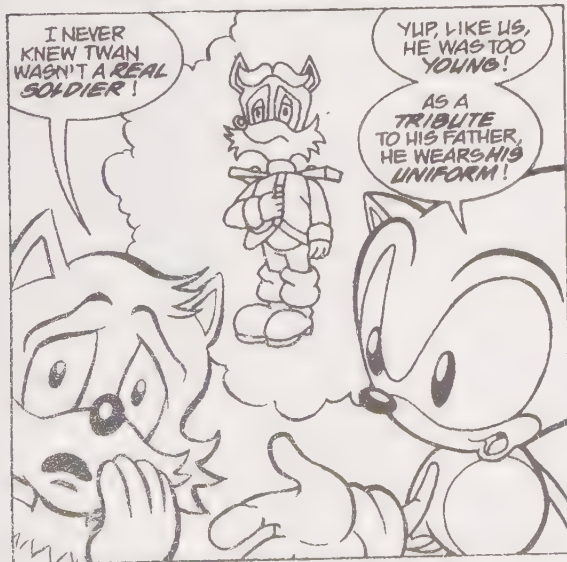
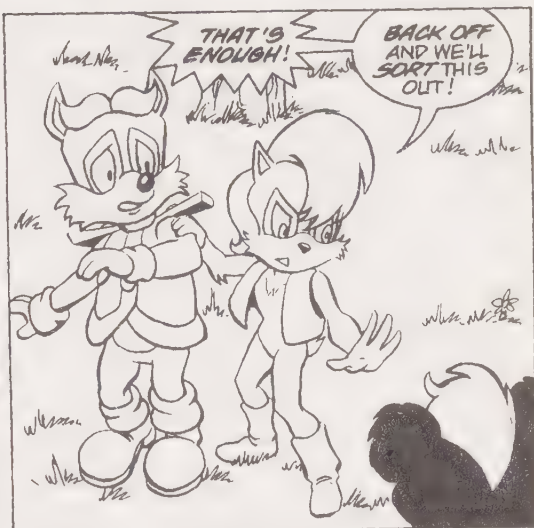
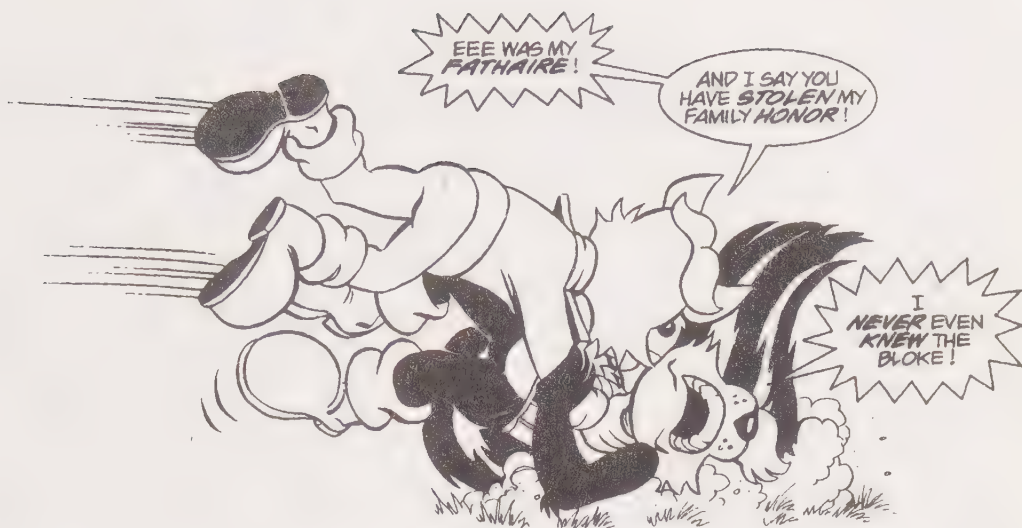
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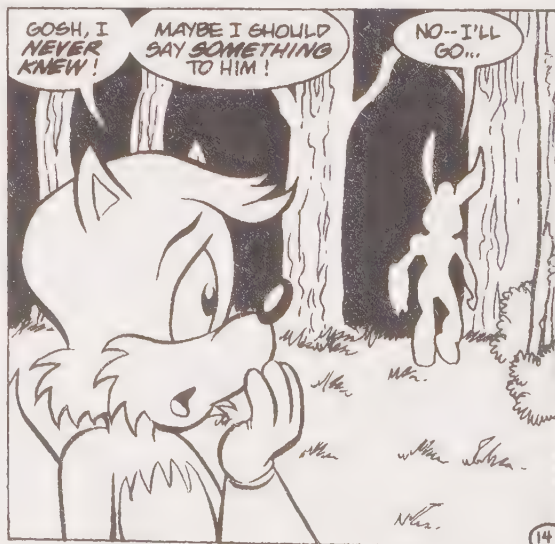
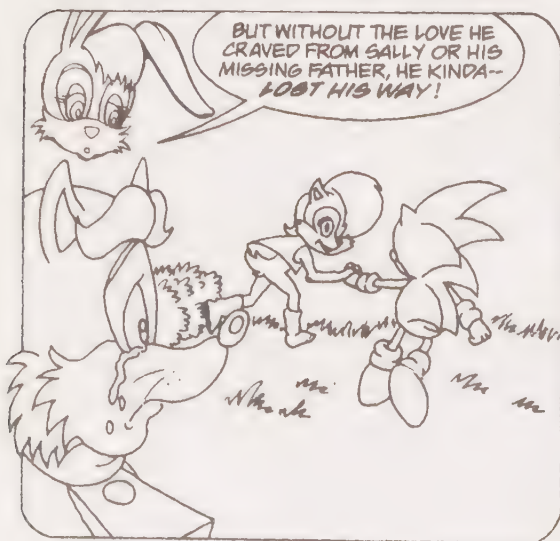
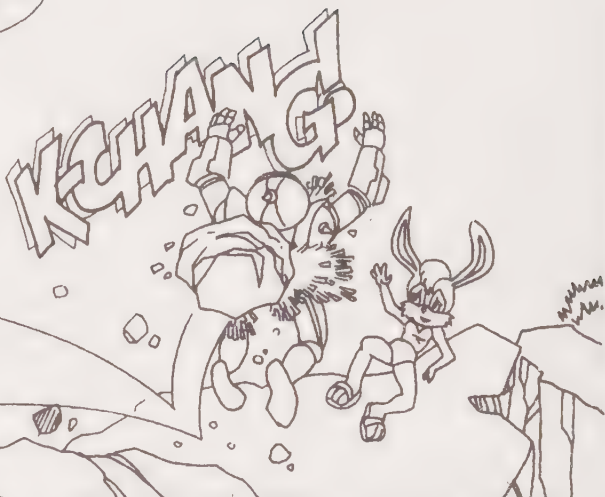
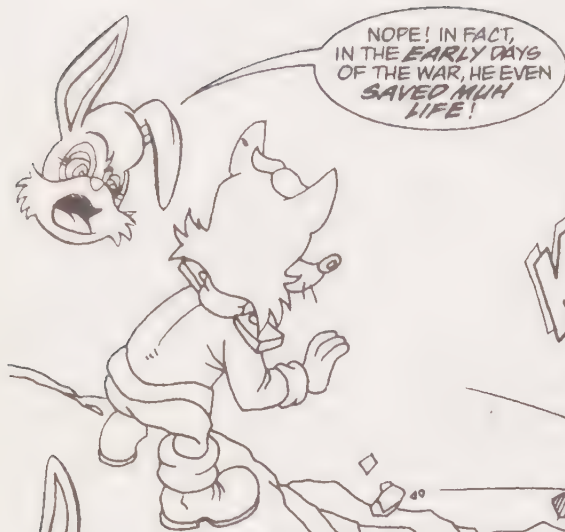
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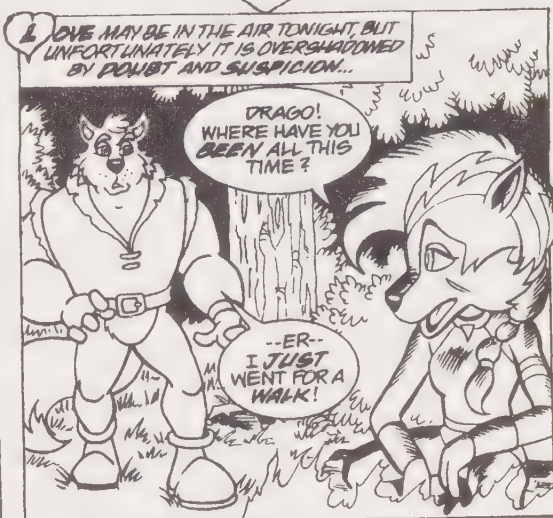
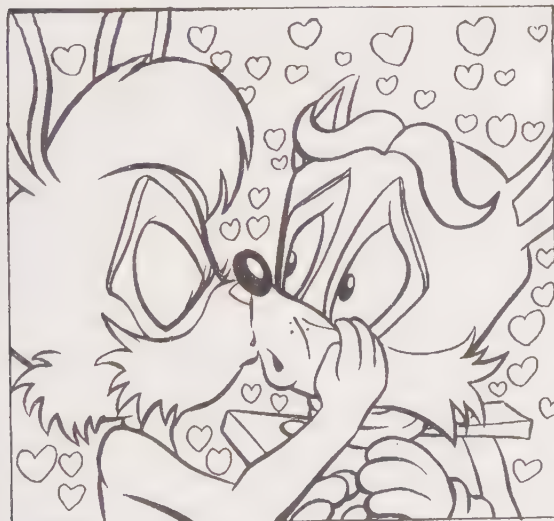
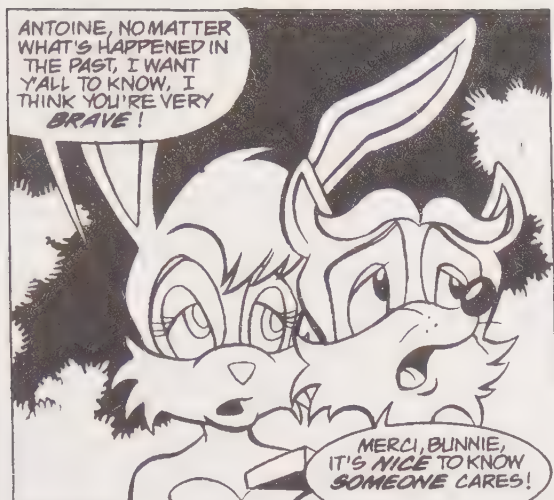
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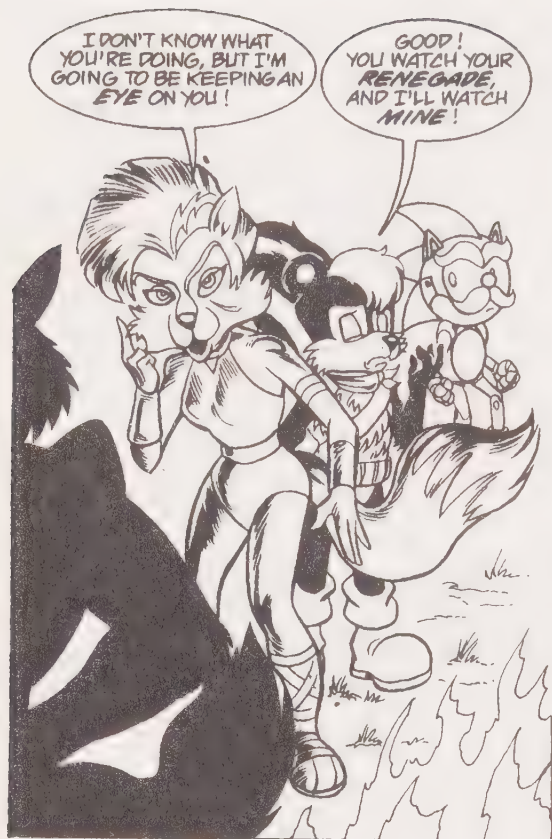


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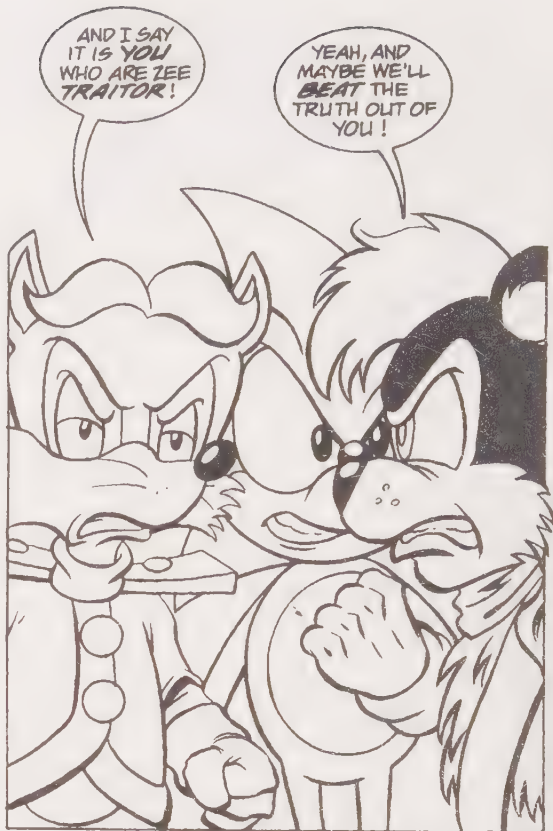






I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING, BUT I'M GOING TO BE KEEPING AN EYE ON YOU!

GOOD! YOU WATCH YOUR RENEGADE, AND I'LL WATCH MINE!



AND I SAY IT IS YOU WHO ARE ZEE TRAITOR!

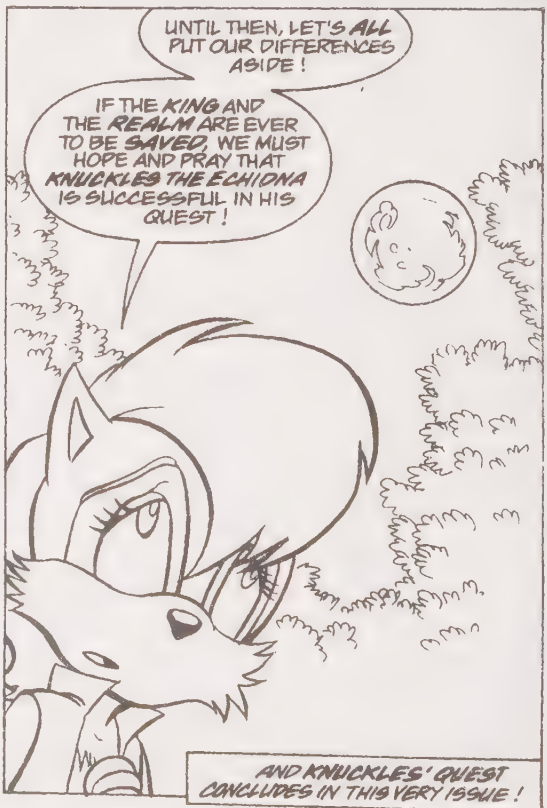
YEAH, AND MAYBE WE'LL BEAT THE TRUTH OUT OF YOU!

STOP IT!

THERE'VE BEEN A LOT OF ACCUSATIONS TODAY, BUT NOT ONE SUBSTANTIATED!



EVERYONE HERE HAS PROVEN THEIR LOYALTY AND TIME WILL TELL IF I'M WRONG!

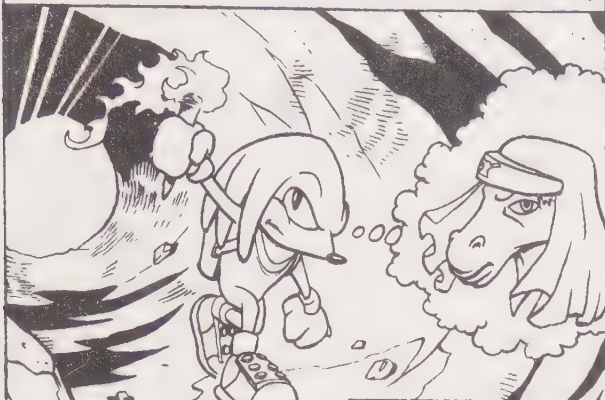


UNTIL THEN, LET'S ALL PUT OUR DIFFERENCES ASIDE!

IF THE KING AND THE REALM ARE EVER TO BE SAVED, WE MUST HOPE AND PRAY THAT KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA IS SUCCESSFUL IN HIS QUEST!

AND KNUCKLES' QUEST CONCLUDES IN THIS VERY ISSUE!

ON A QUEST TO FIND KING ACORN'S MAGIC SWORD,
DESTINY DECREED **GNUCKLES** WOULD MEET A PALADIN!



* GNUCK MET SIR
CONNERY LAST
ISSUE!... ED

LIKE MANY
HISTORIC EXPEDITIONS,
THIS ONE IS NOT FOUND
BY FORTITUDE...



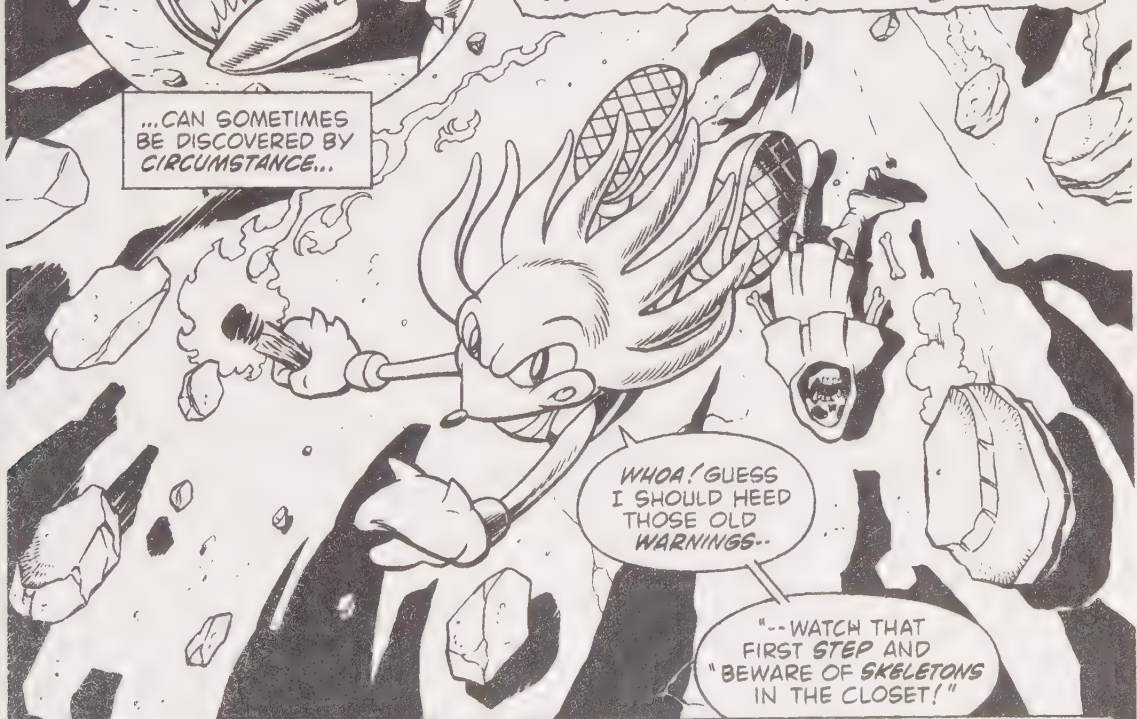
...CAN SOMETIMES
BE DISCOVERED BY
CIRCUMSTANCE...

UNRAVELING THE HOLY KNIGHT'S
CRYPTIC CLUES, THE HEROIC
ECHIDNA VAINLY SEARCHES THE
NUMEROUS CAVERNS OF HIS
FLOATING ISLAND HOME.



GNUCKLES QUEST 4:

A GOAT, A RAVEN AND A SWAN SONG!



WHOA! GUESS
I SHOULD HEED
THOSE OLD
WARNINGS...

"--WATCH THAT
FIRST STEP AND
"BEWARE OF SKELETONS
IN THE CLOSET!"

KEN PENDERS & KENT TAYLOR • MANNY GALÁN • BRIAN THOMAS • M. EISMAN • BARRY GROSEMAN
WRITERS PENCILER INKER LETTERER COLORIST

FORTUNATELY,
BEING ABLE TO
GLIDE ALLOWS ME
TO SLOW THE FALL!

TOO BAD MY
BUDDY CAN'T DO
THE SAME!

SMASH!

KRAAK!

UPON LANDING,
KNUCKLES BEGINS
TO EXPLORE THIS
LOWER CAVERN...

HMM -- THESE
MARKINGS LOOK
LIKE ANCIENT MYSTIC
RUNES -- MAYBE I'M
FINALLY ONTO
SOMETHING!

TRAVELING DOWN THE
DAMP, FUNGUS ENCRUSTED
CAVERN BANK, THE
ENTERPRISING ECHIDNA
ENCOUNTERS A HORRIFIC
STENCH...

...WHOSE INCREASING INTENSITY ACTS LIKE A HOMING
BEACON, ULTIMATELY FURNISHING A VANTAGE POINT!

WEIRD SMELL PLUS
WEIRD CHANTING
EQUALS WEIRD
DUDES...

O'WEI O'WEI

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... AND THOSE WEIRDOS LOOK LIKE
THE WIZARD AND ALCHEMIST THE ANCIENT
WALKERS WARNED ME ABOUT! *

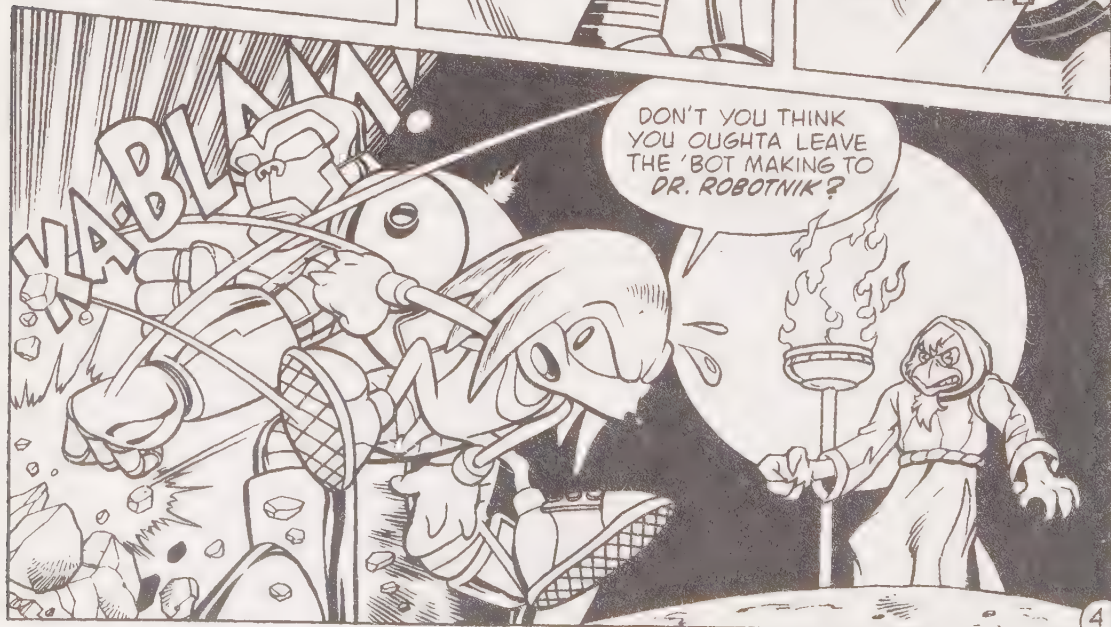
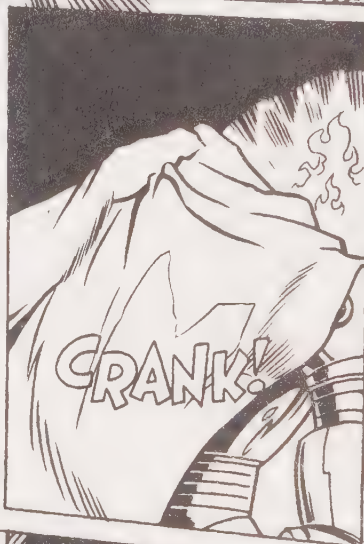
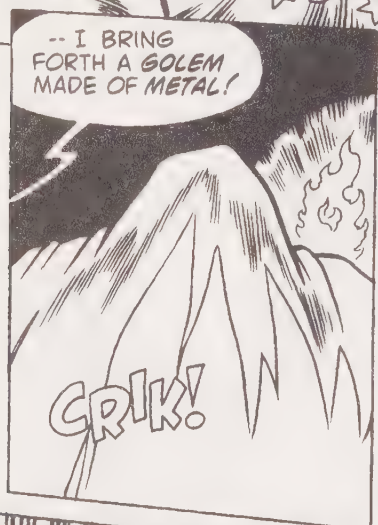
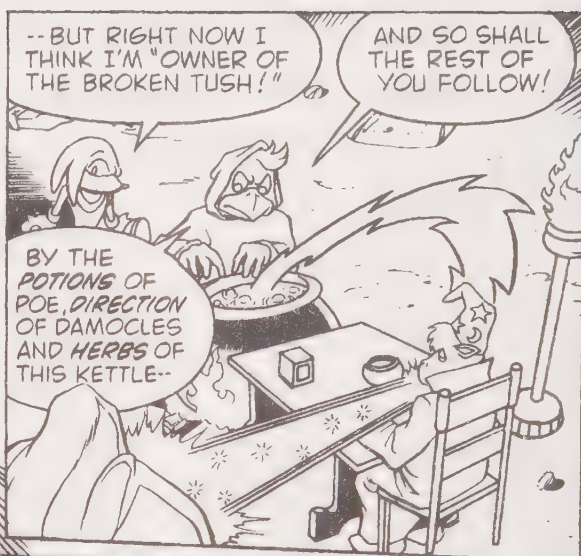
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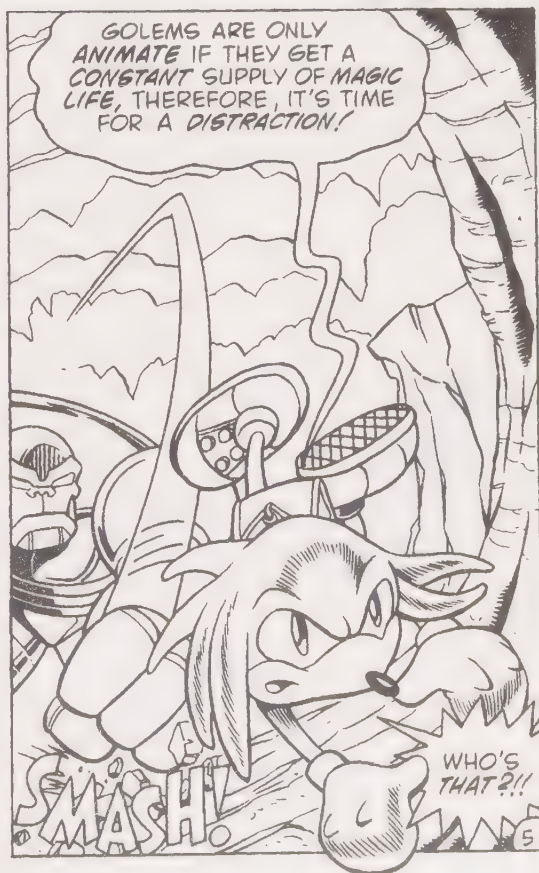
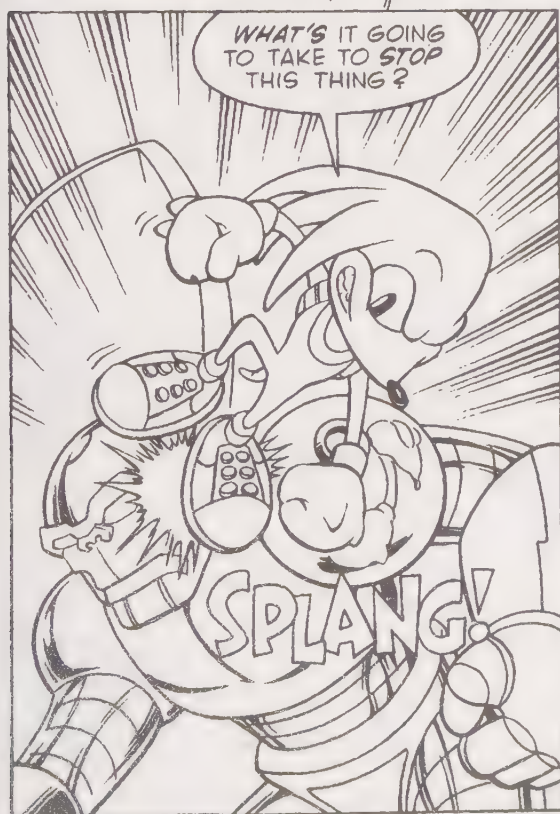
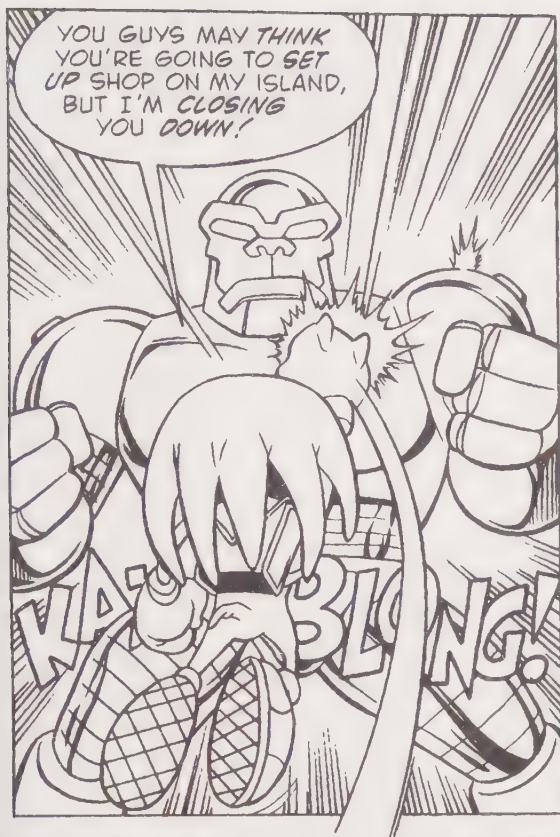
"BASED ON WHERE I FOUND
THEM, I'LL BET THEY'RE
ALSO -- MATHIAS POE AND
DAMOCLES THE ELDER!"

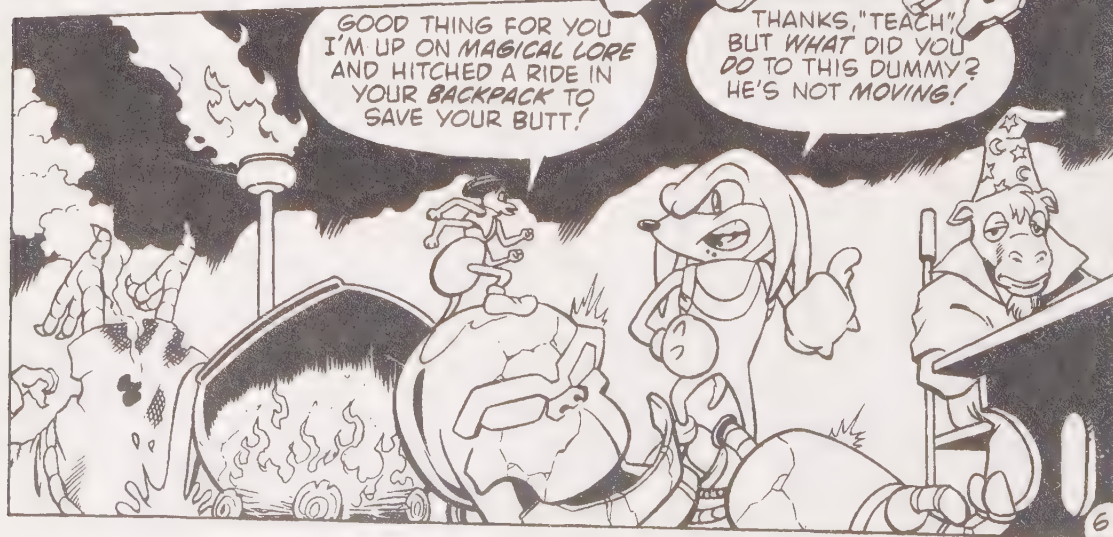
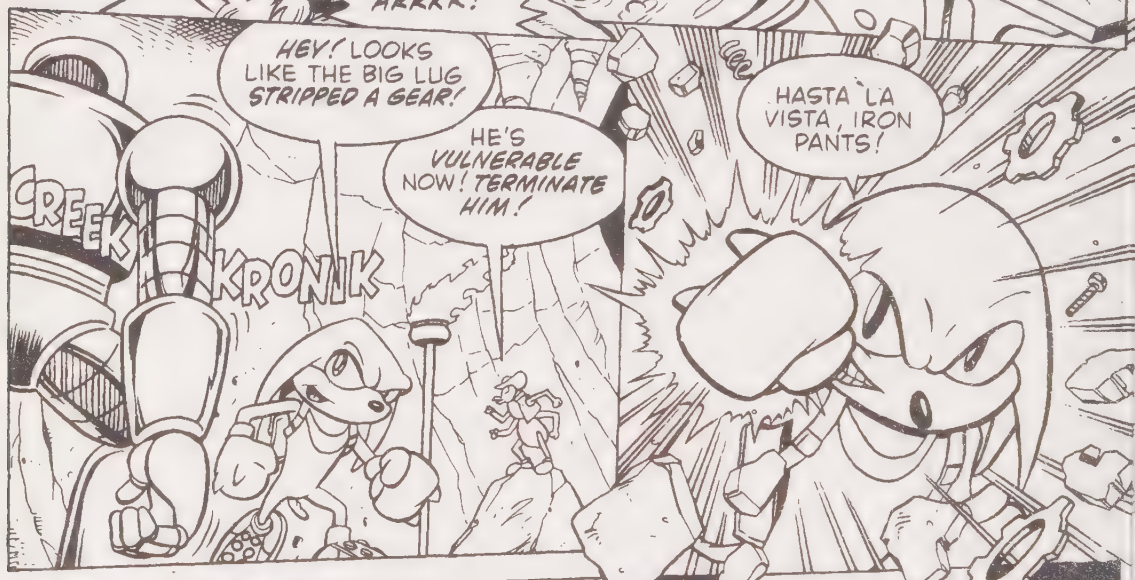
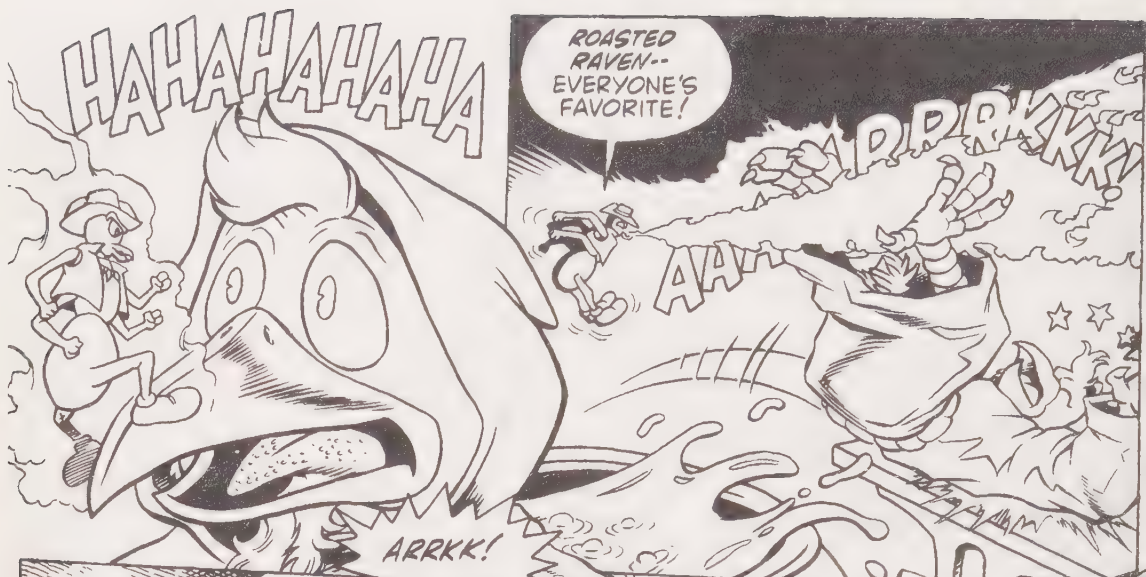
THAT REFLECTION IS SHORT-LIVED,
AS THE SAME CIRCUMSTANCE THAT
BROUGHT KNUCKLES HERE ALSO
COMPROMISES HIS STRATEGIC POSITION

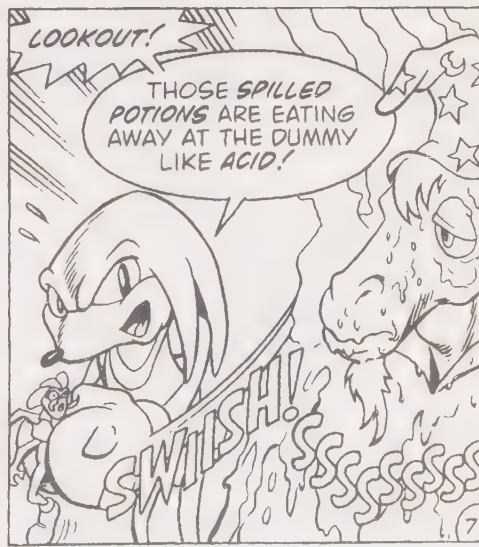
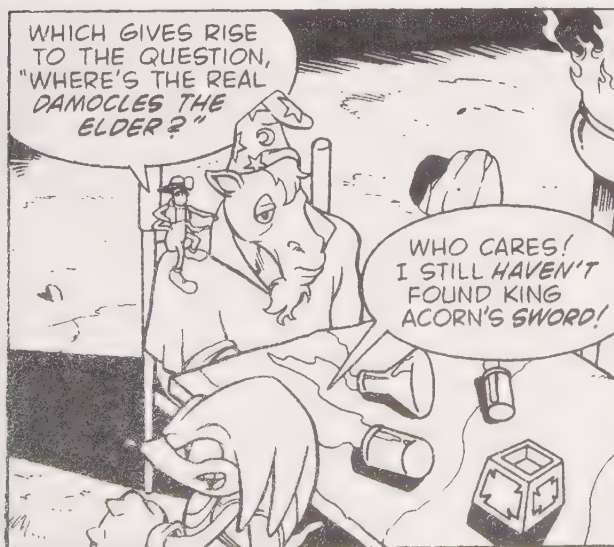
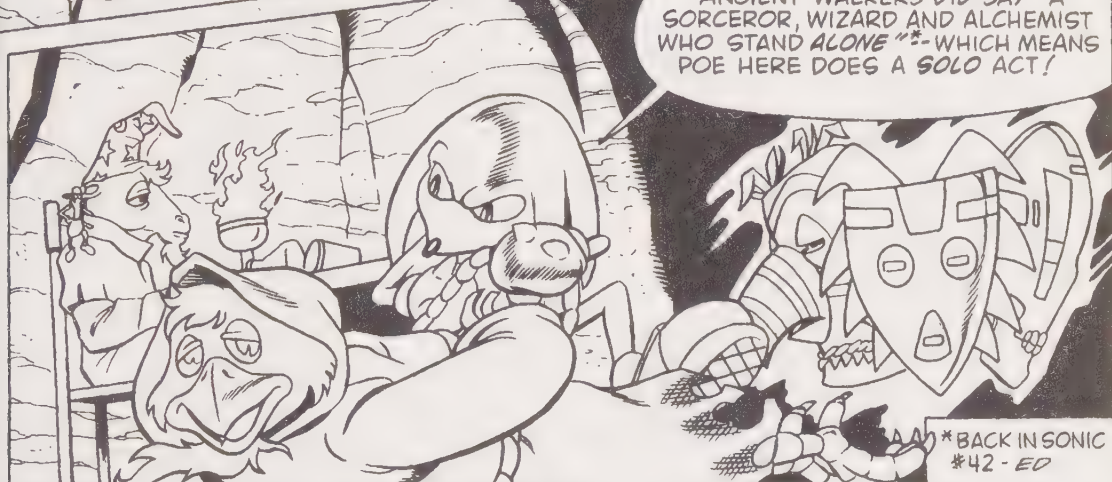
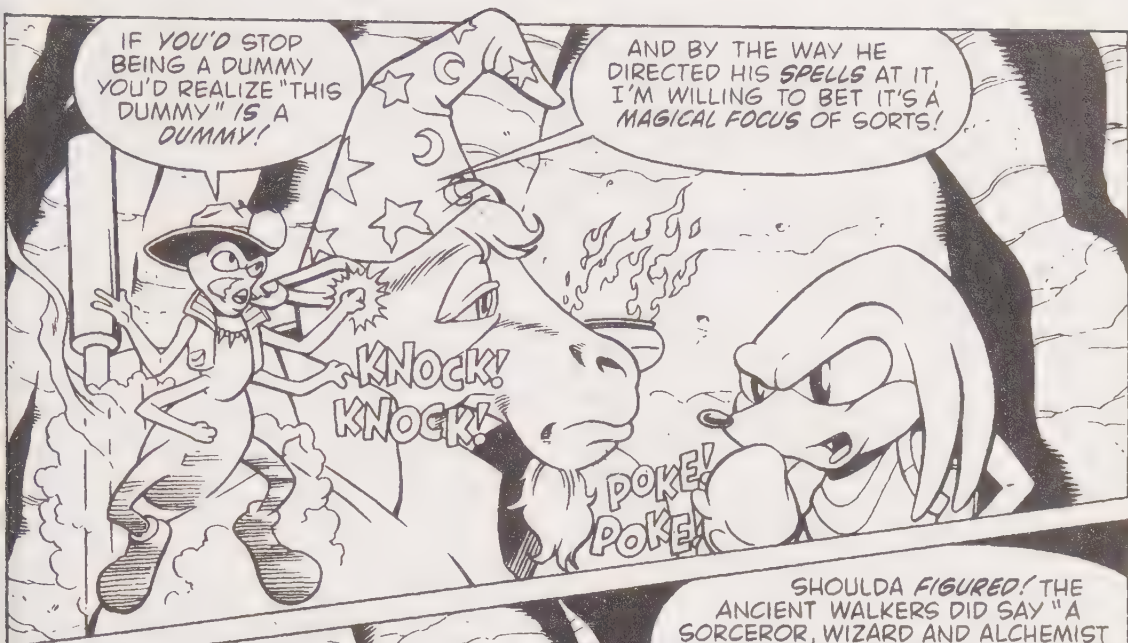
TIME FOR A LITTLE
SUR-PRIZE ATT --

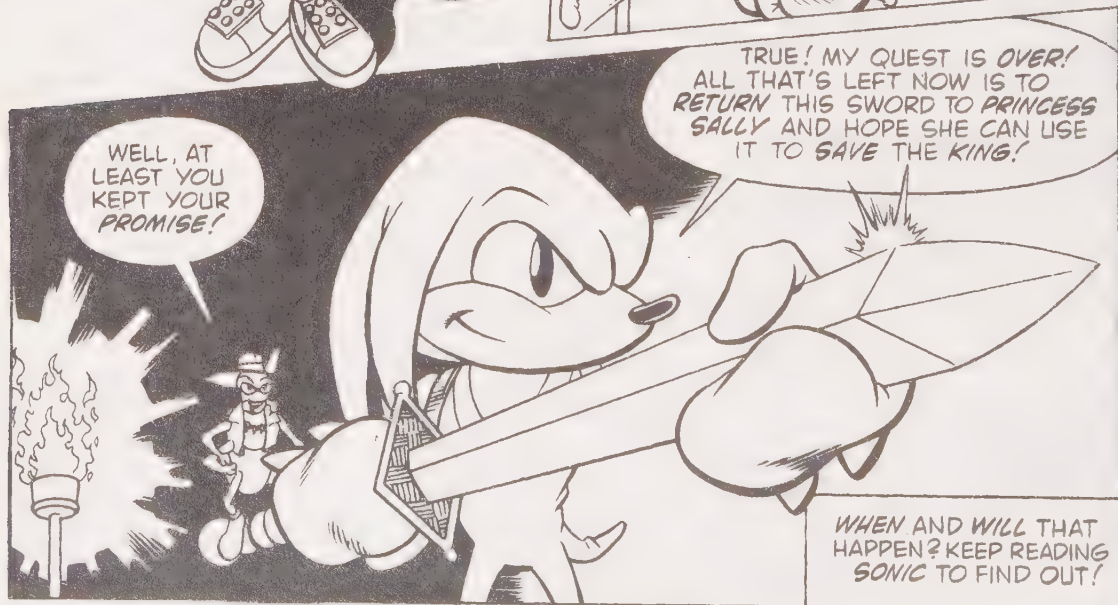
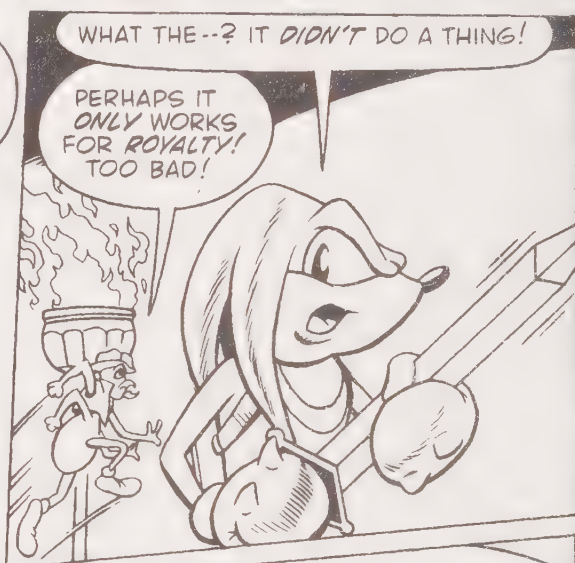
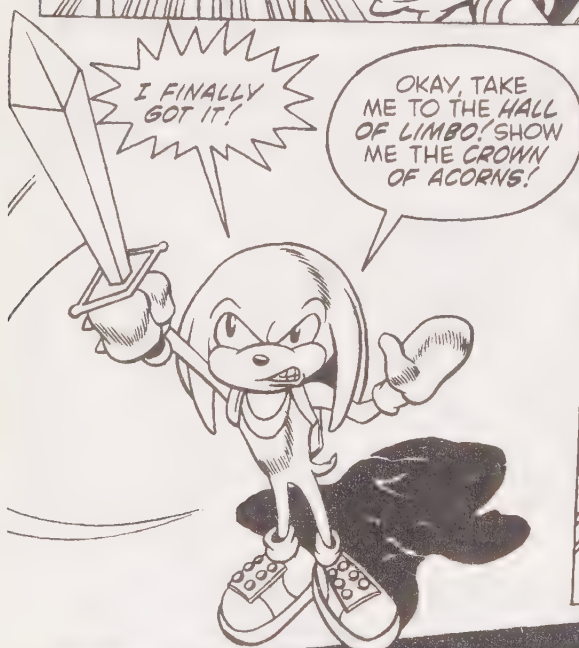
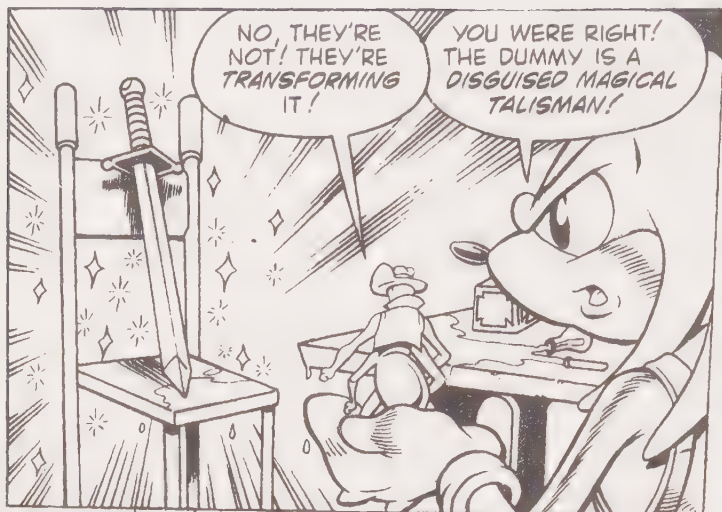
WHOA!











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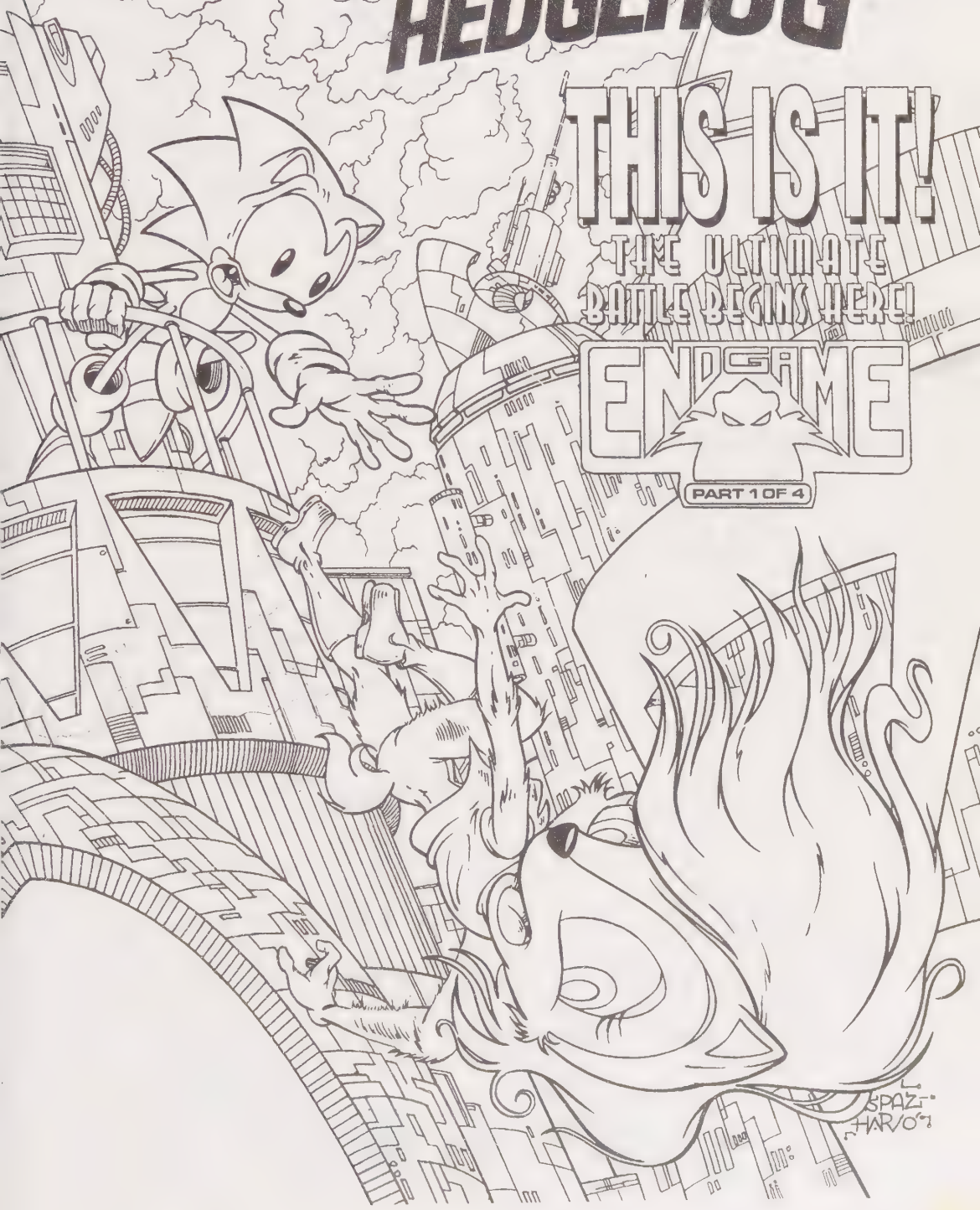
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

THIS IS IT!

THE ULTIMATE
BATTLE BEGINS HERE!

ENDGAME

PART 1 OF 4

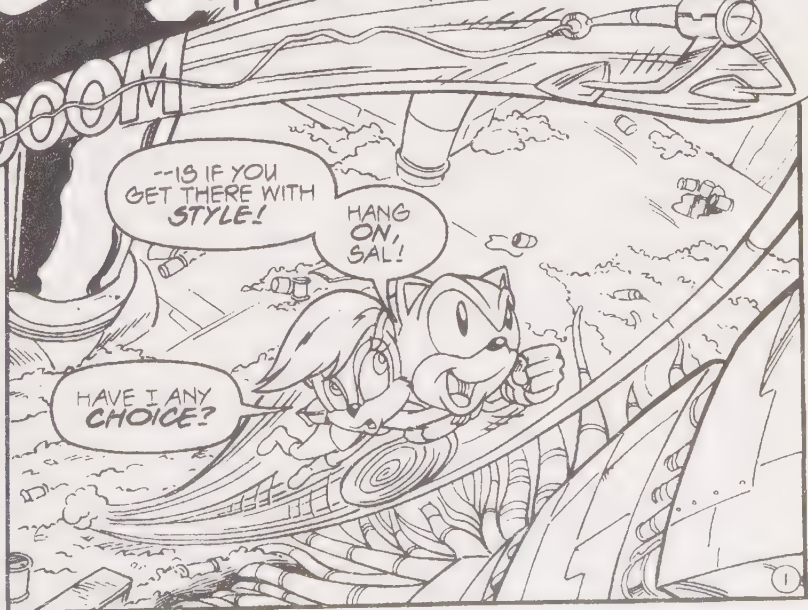
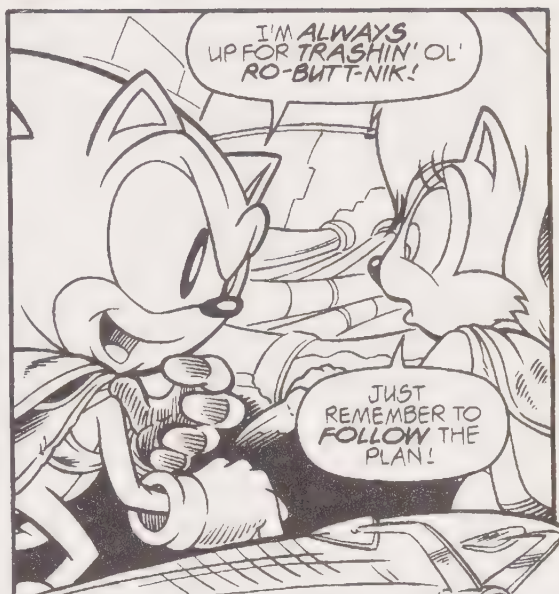
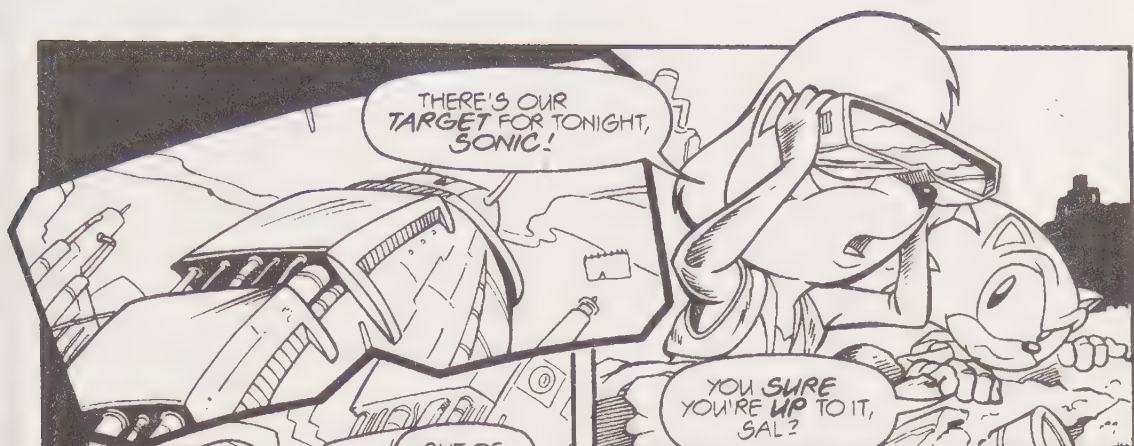


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HARVO

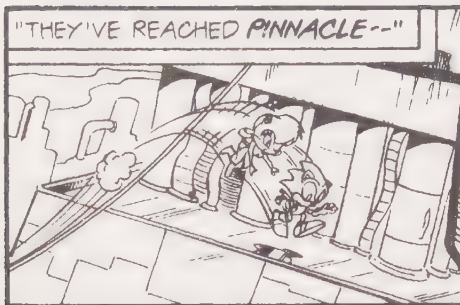
It is the year 3285 on the planet **Mobius** and the war being fought upon its surface lands has entered its **eleventh year**. A war that began as another had just concluded. A war that had its origins from the seeds of **betrayal within**.

Warlord Julian had seized the power and authority of the **House of Acorn**, and exiled the **King** forevermore to the **Zone of Silence**. Upon which, **Julian** became **Robotnik** and began a systematic conquest of the now-renamed **Robotropolis** and all its inhabitants.

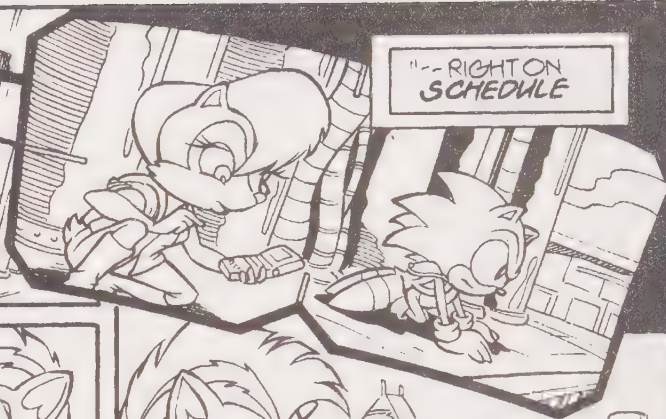
It is now the eve of what may prove to be the **final battle** between the successors to the **House of Acorn** and its usurper. A battle full of **heroes and villains**, winners and losers, those that survive and those who have fallen...



"THEY'VE REACHED PINNACLE--"



"-- RIGHT ON
SCHEDULE



IF **ALL** GOES
AS **PLANNED**,
ROBOTNIK
WON'T EVEN
KNOW WHAT
HIT HIM!

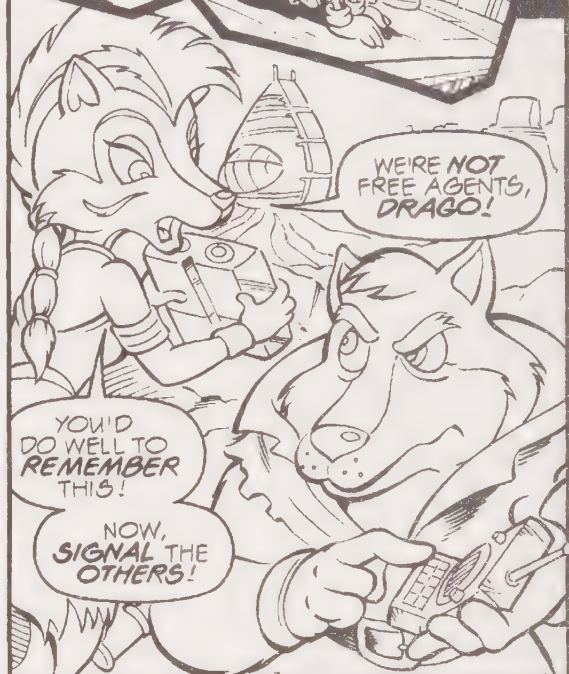


I'D AGREE
ONLY IF THE **PACK**
WERE HANDLING
THIS!

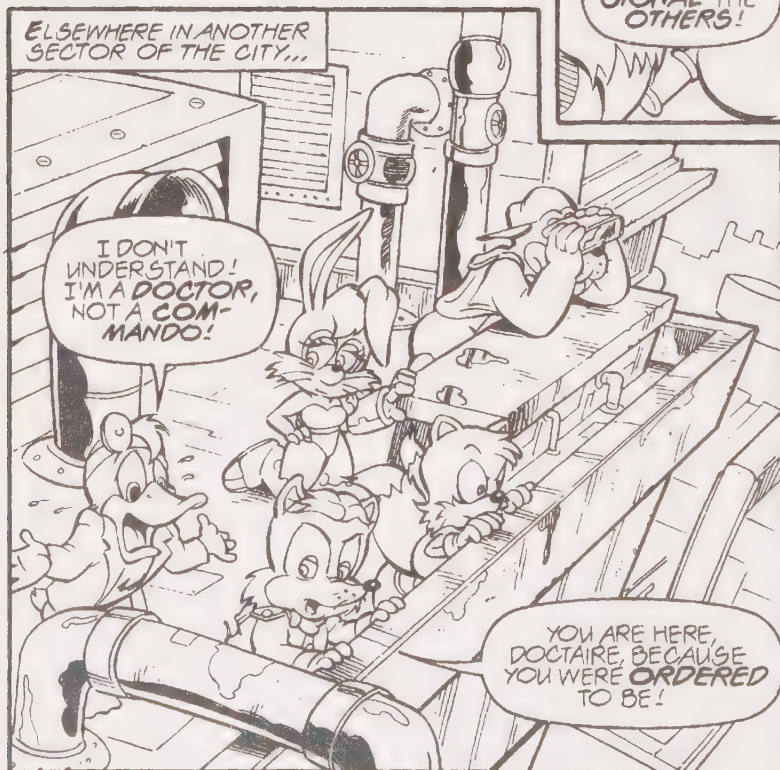
WE'RE **NOT**
FREE AGENTS,
DRAGO!

YOU'D
DO WELL TO
REMEMBER
THIS!

NOW,
SIGNAL THE
OTHERS!



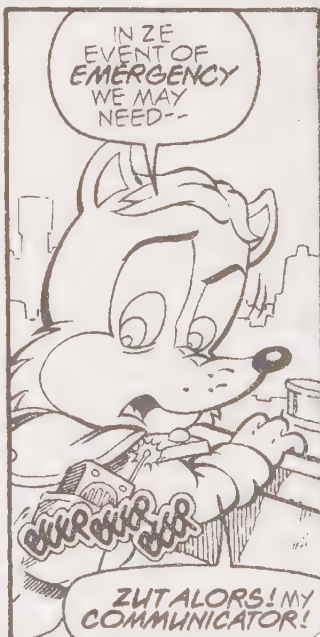
ELSEWHERE IN ANOTHER
SECTOR OF THE CITY...



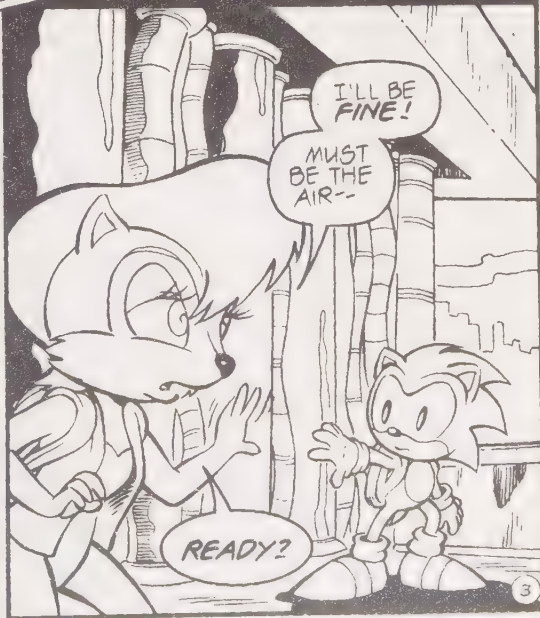
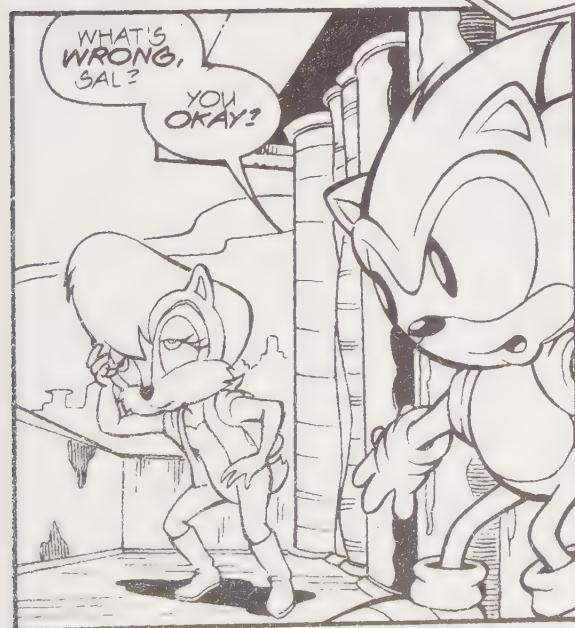
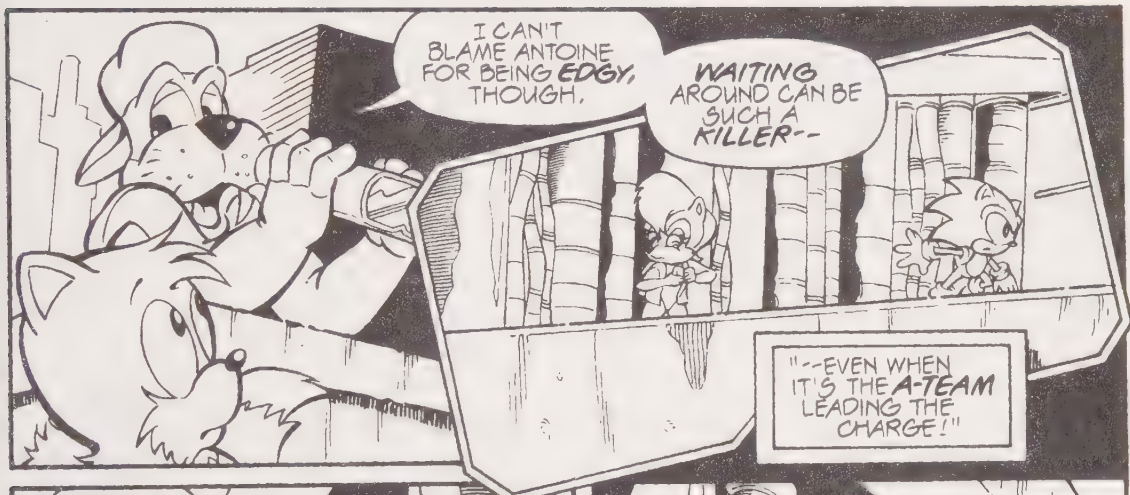
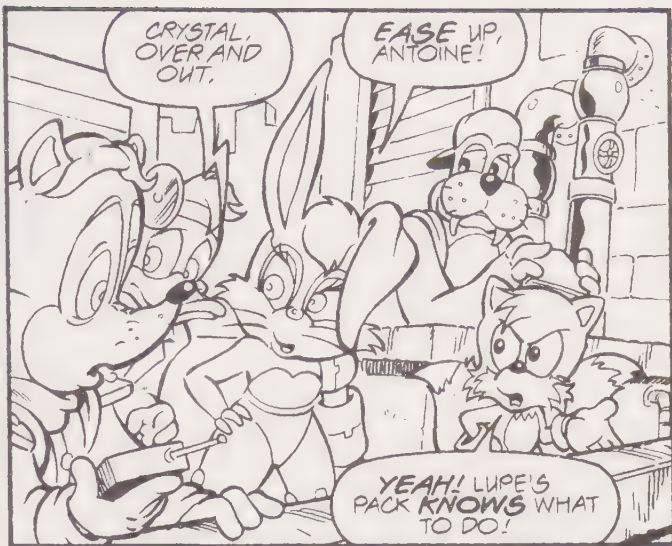
I DON'T
UNDERSTAND!
I'M A **DOCTOR**,
NOT A **COM-**
MANDO!

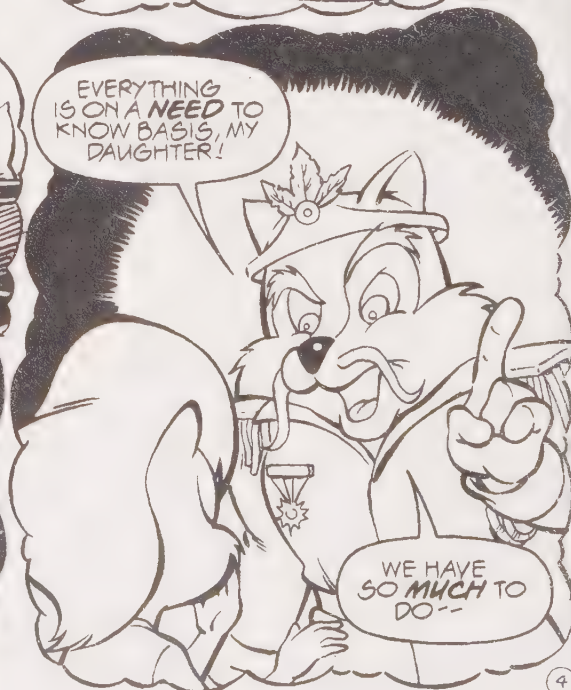
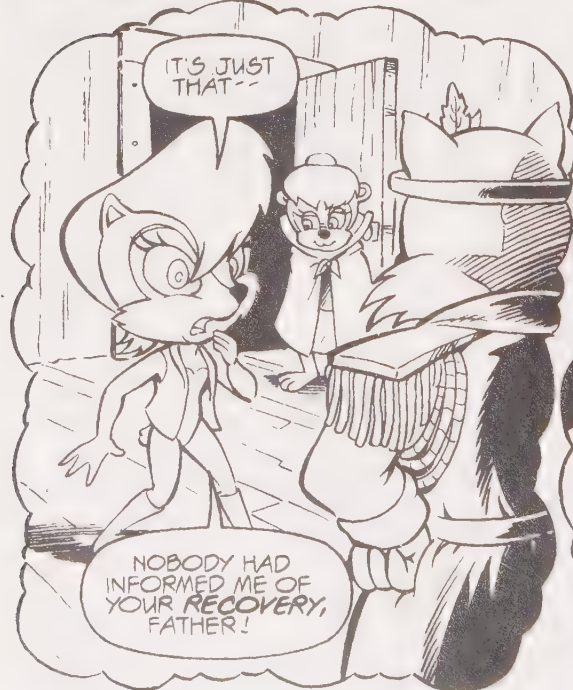
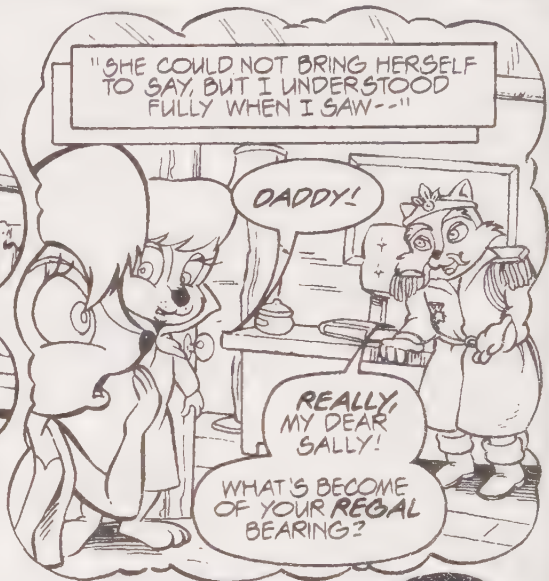
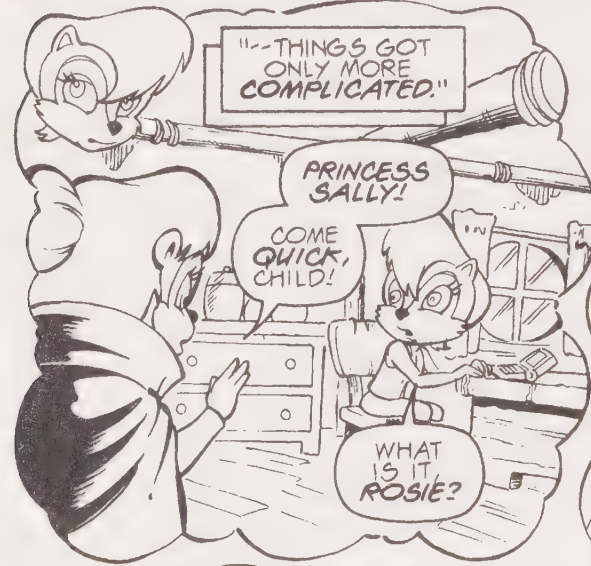
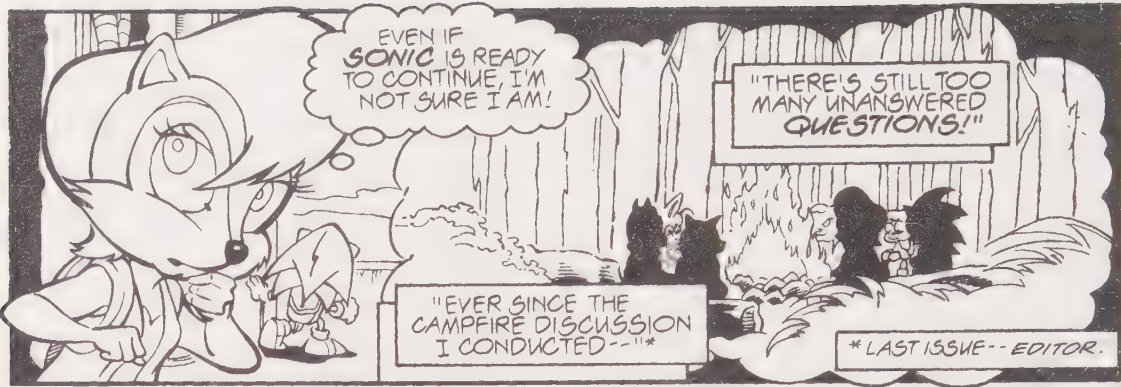
YOU ARE HERE,
DOCTAIRE, BECAUSE
YOU WERE **ORDERED**
TO BE!

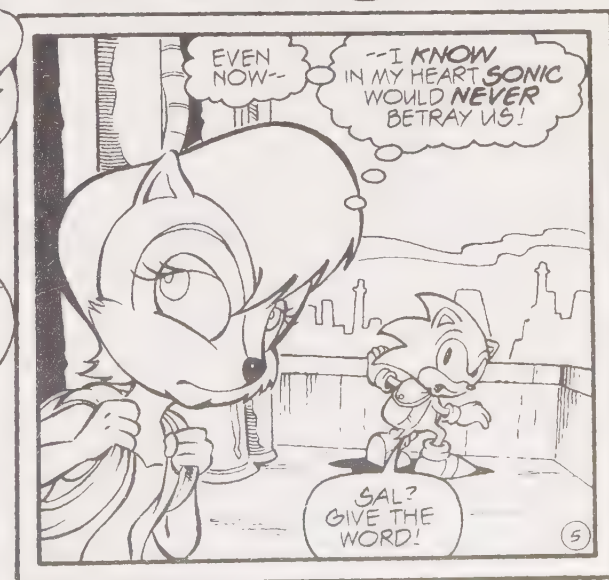
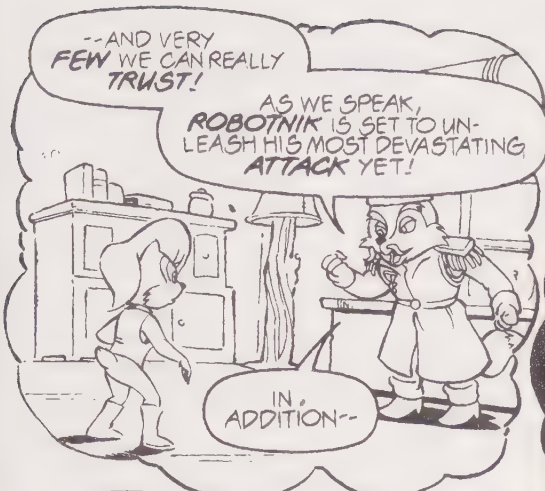
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EVENT OF
EMERGENCY
WE MAY
NEED--

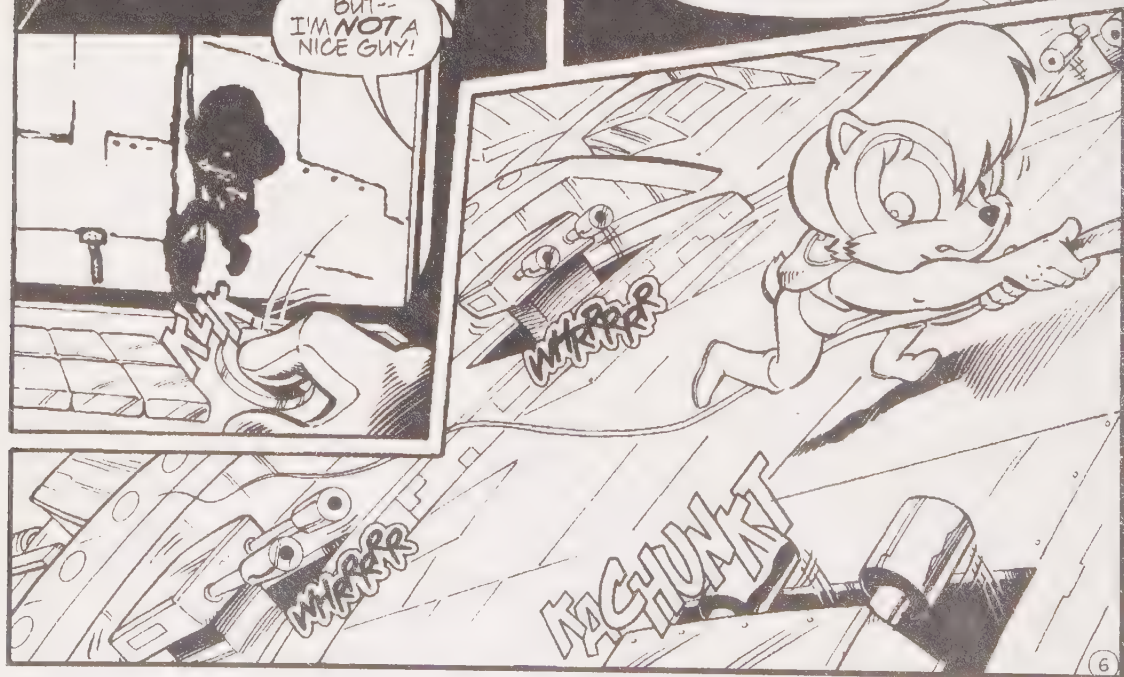
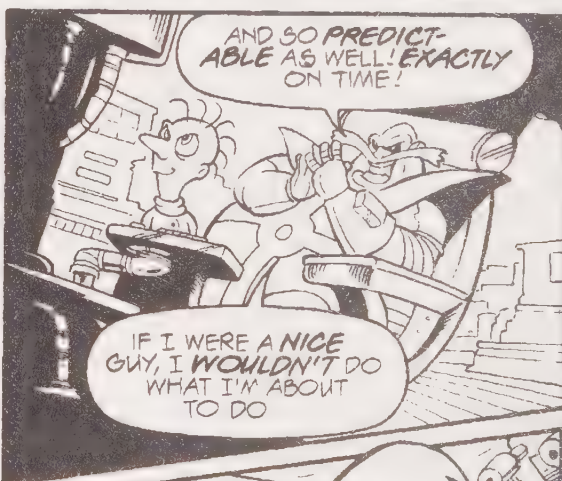
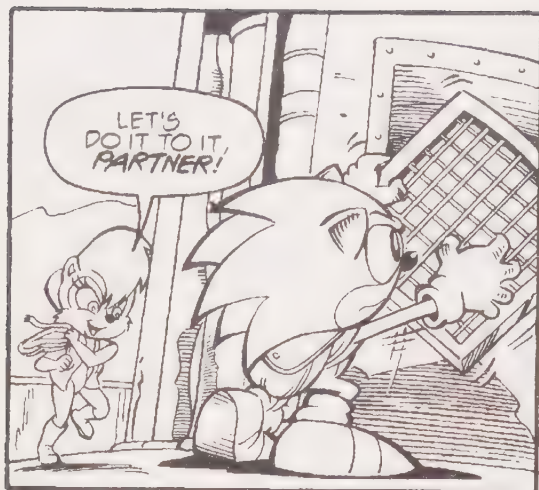


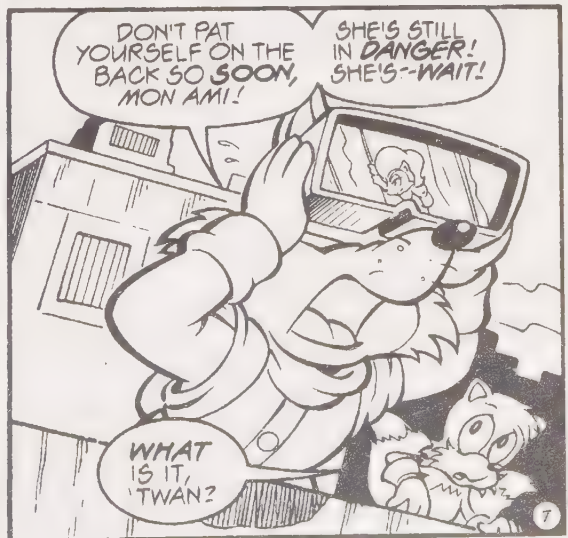
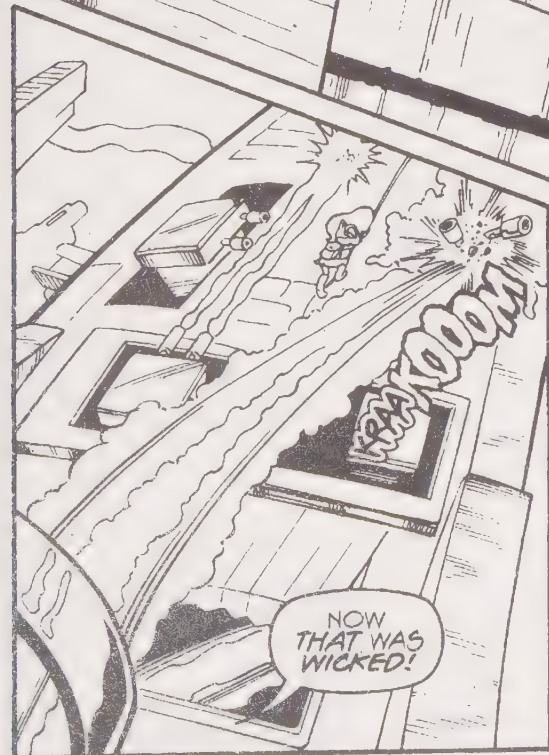
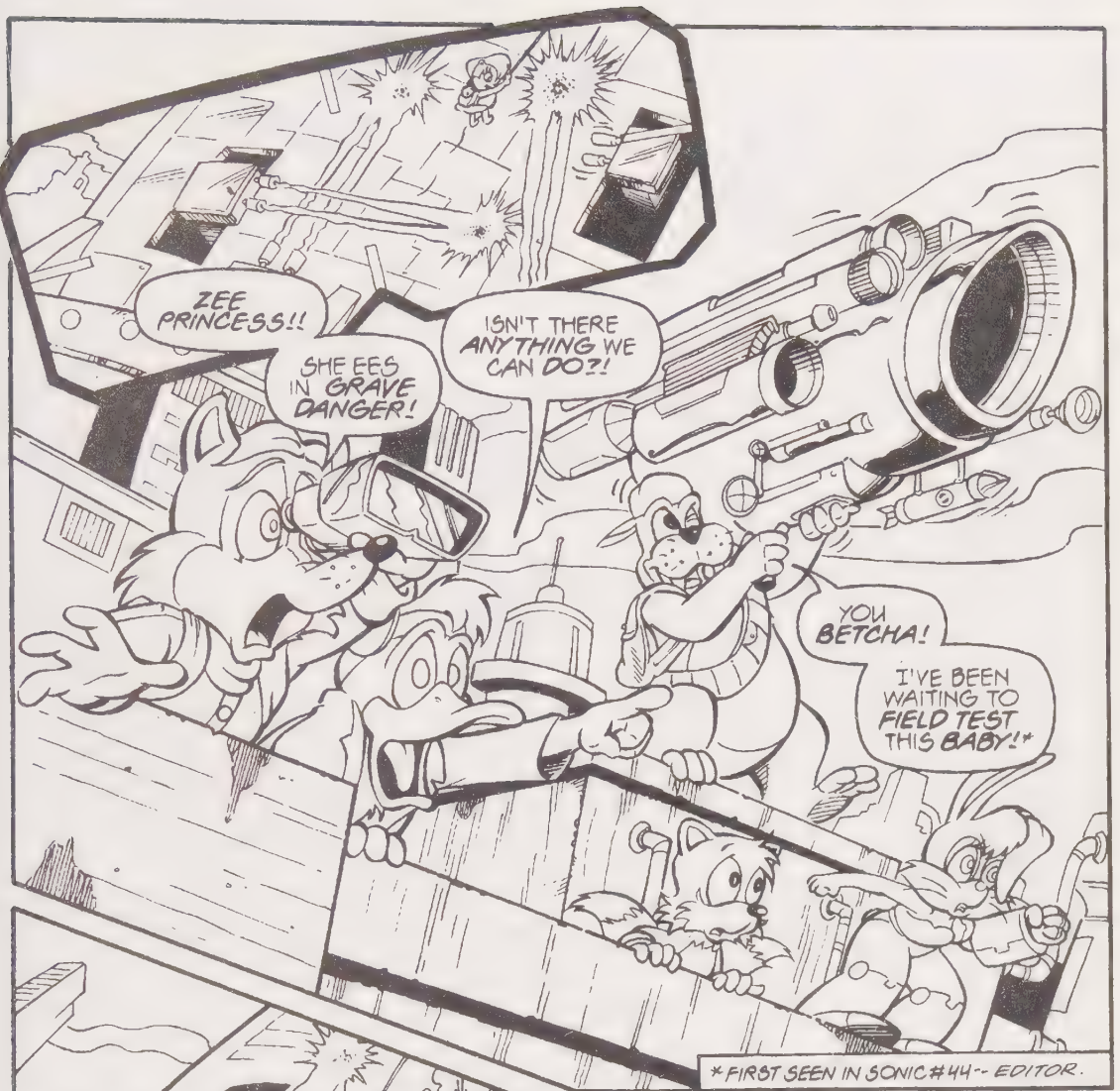
ZUTALORS! MY
COMMUNICATOR!

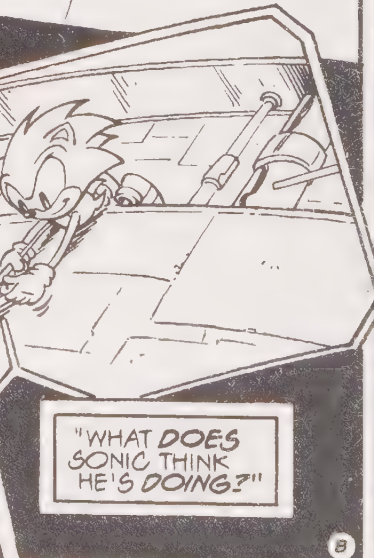
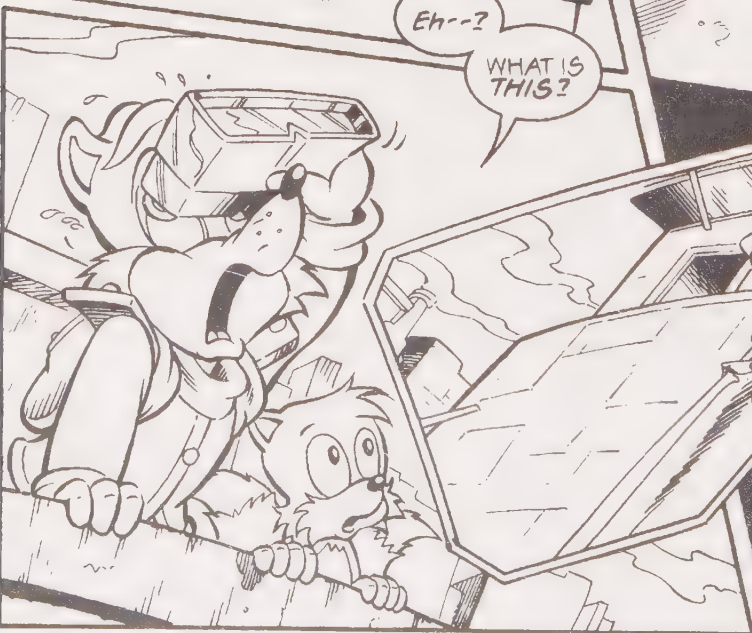
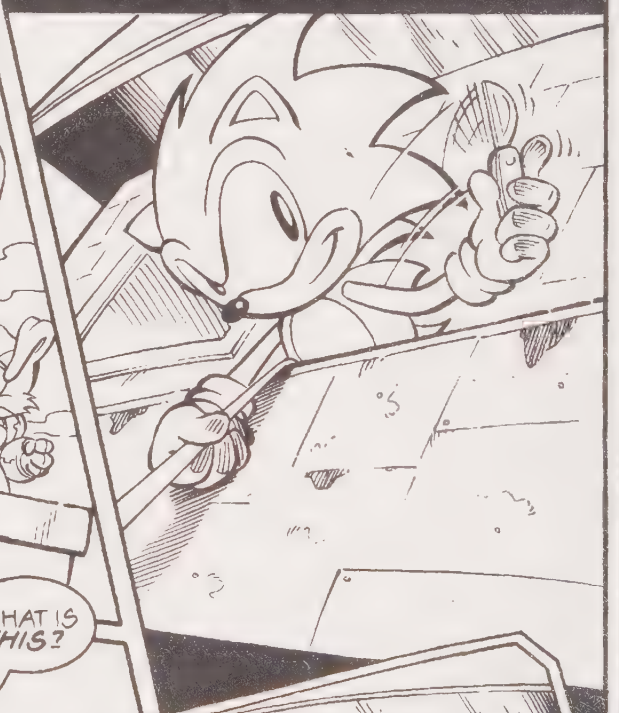
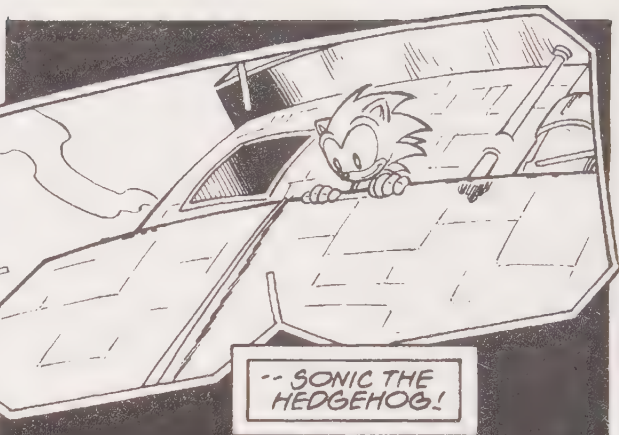
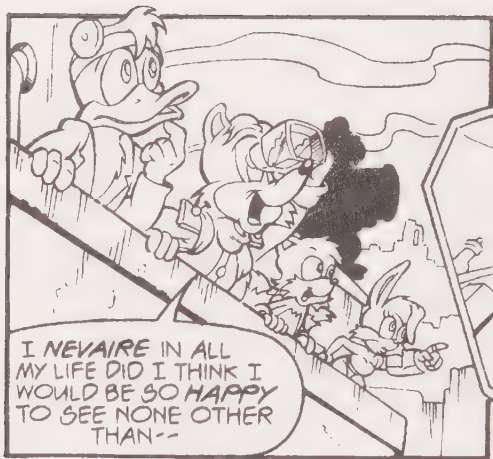


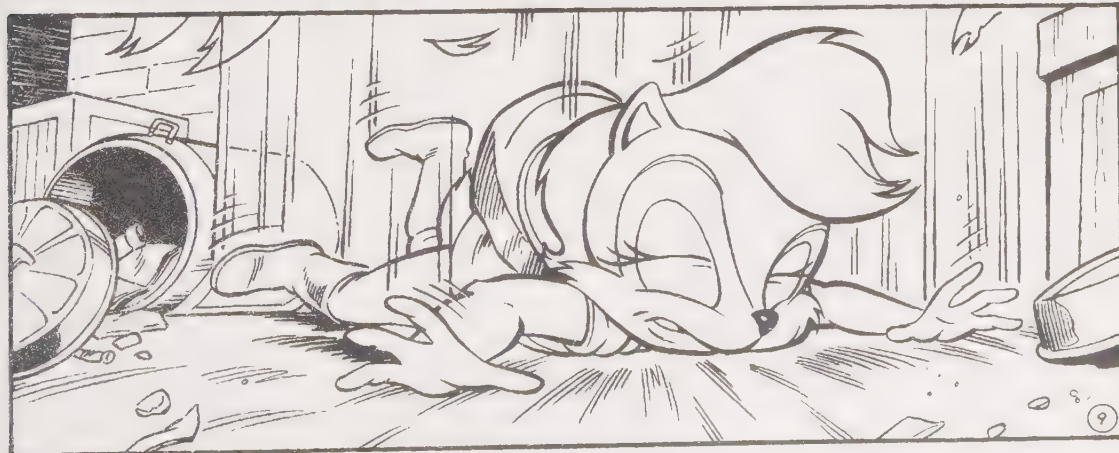
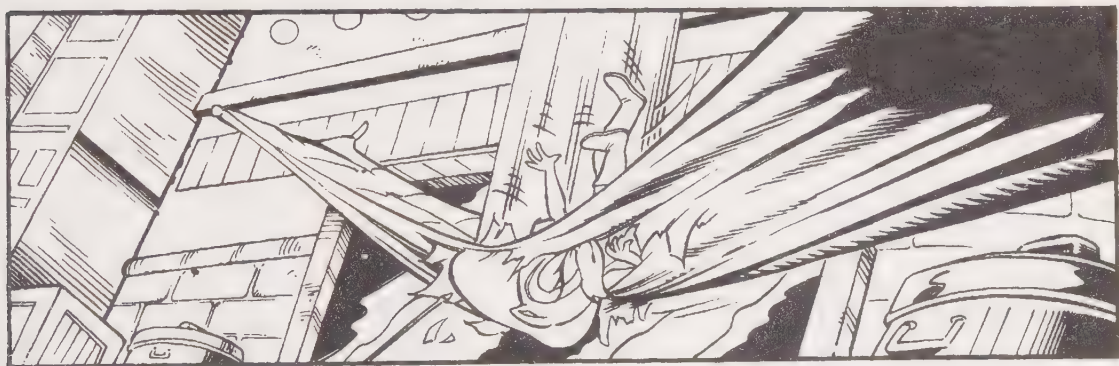
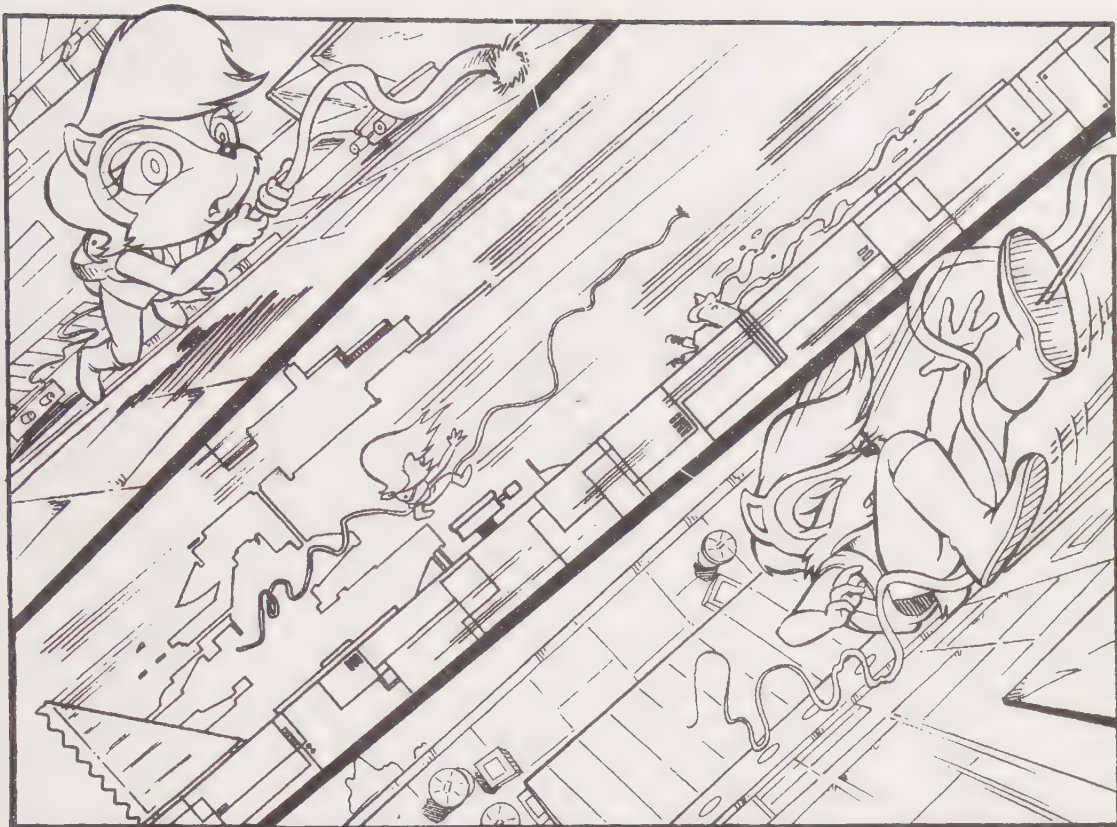














ZEE PRINCESS--
SHE IS--
SHE--

WE NEED
TO GET HER
OUT OF
THERE!

Sigh--
THEY
NEVER
LEARN,
DO
THEY?

SET
TARGET!

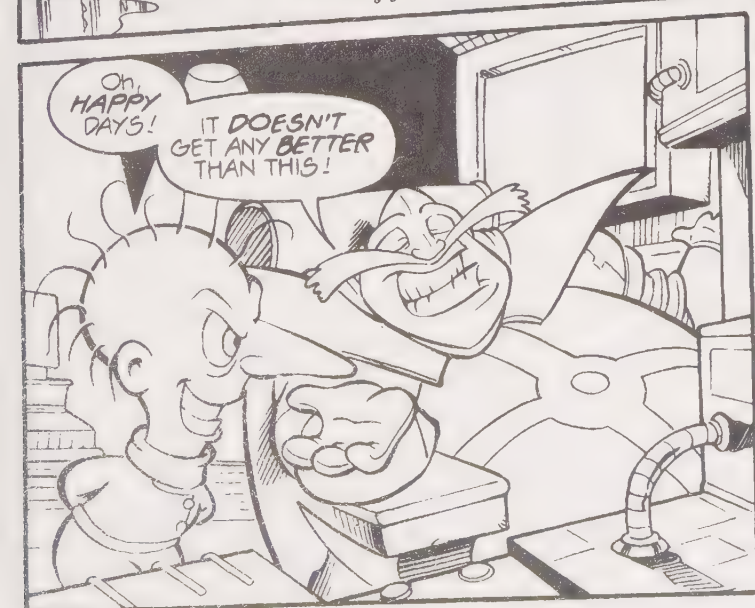
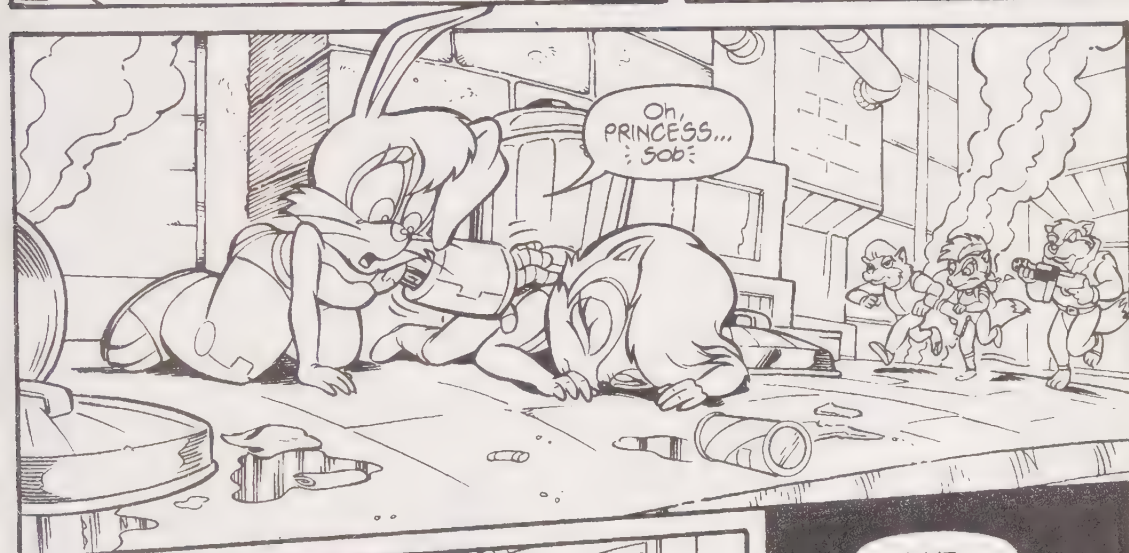
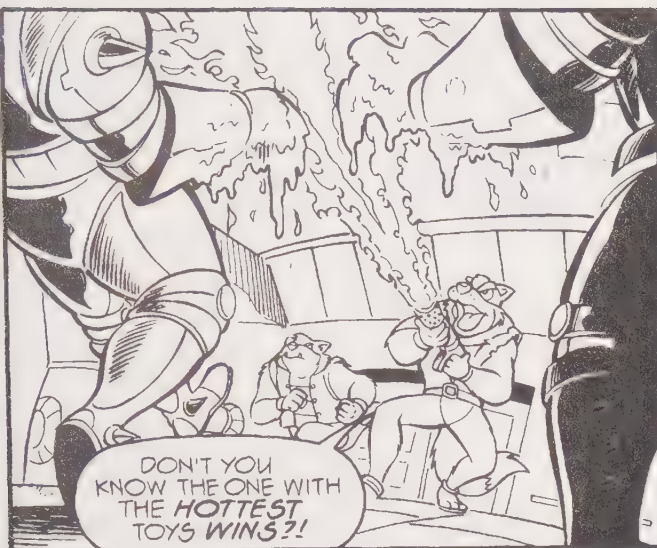
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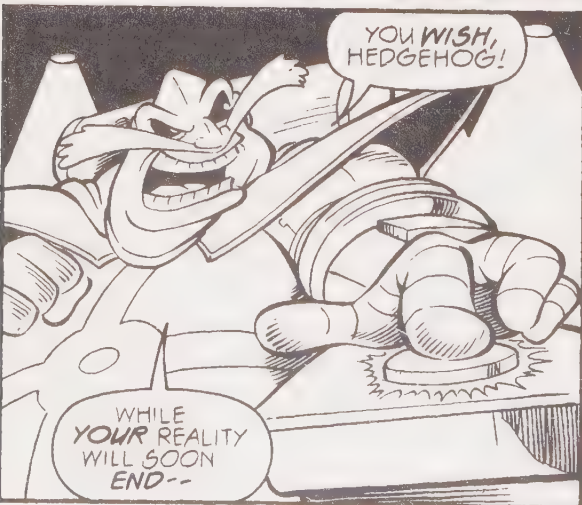
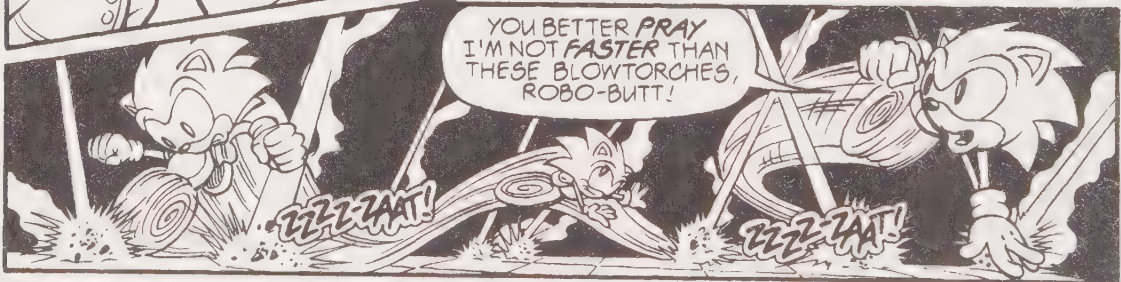
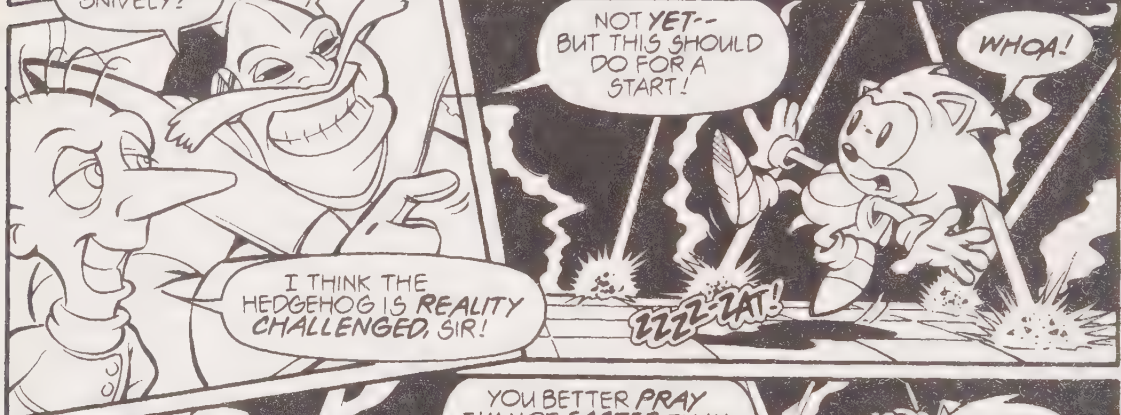
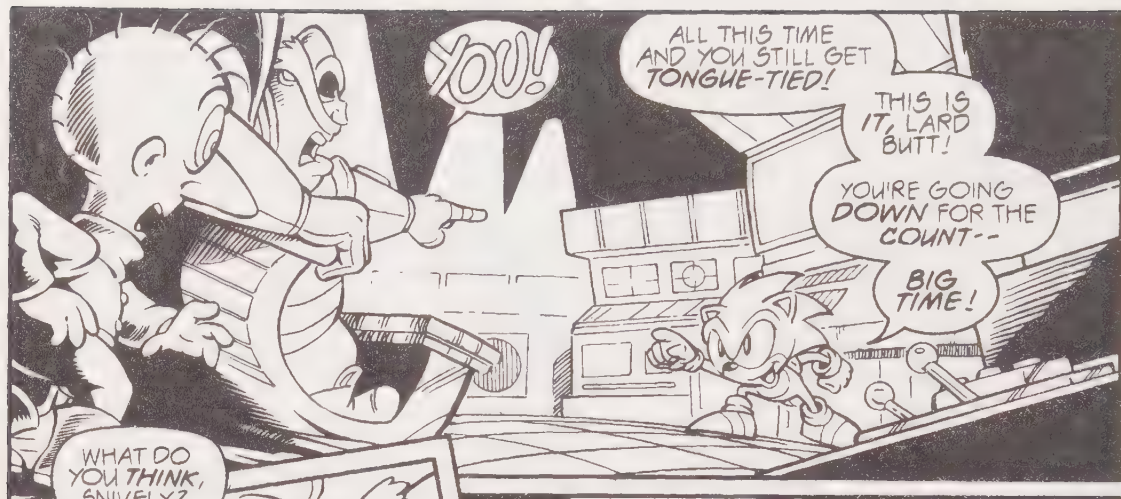
FIRE!

ALRIGHT YOU
HEROES--
HOWL!

LET 'EM KNOW
THEY'RE IN FOR
A FIGHT!

WAH-HOO!







WHY DID YOU EVER REPLACE THE ELEVATORS WITH THESE THINGS?!

YOU KNOW I HATE WHAT IT DOES TO MY STOMACH!

GO BACK UP THEN IF YOU WANT THE COMPLAINT DEPARTMENT, SNIVELY!

THERE'S GOTTA BE A WAY TO DEFLECT THESE LASERS!

OOOO SHINEY!

I THINK THERE'S MY ANSWER!

WOOF!

DON'T DAWDLE, SNIVELY!

THERE'S STILL MUCH TO DO!

ZZZZ

BOOM

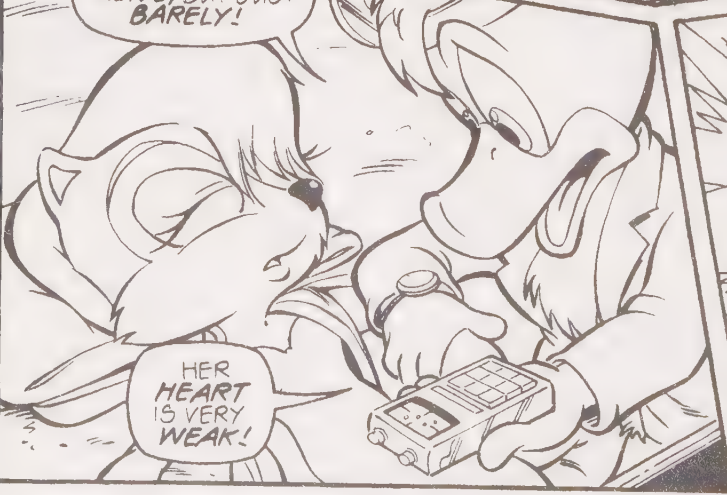
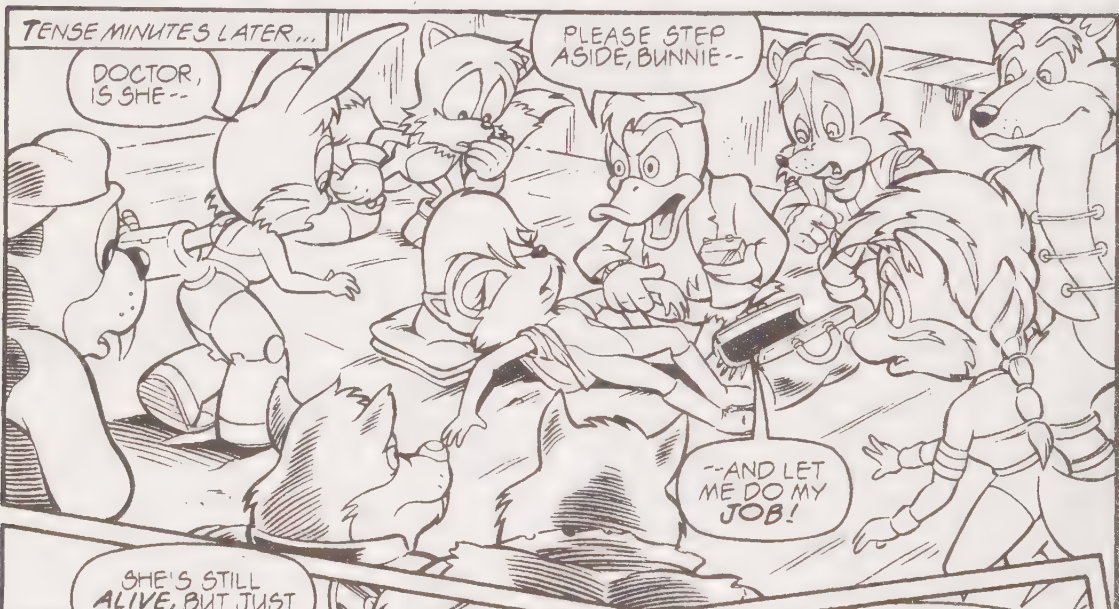
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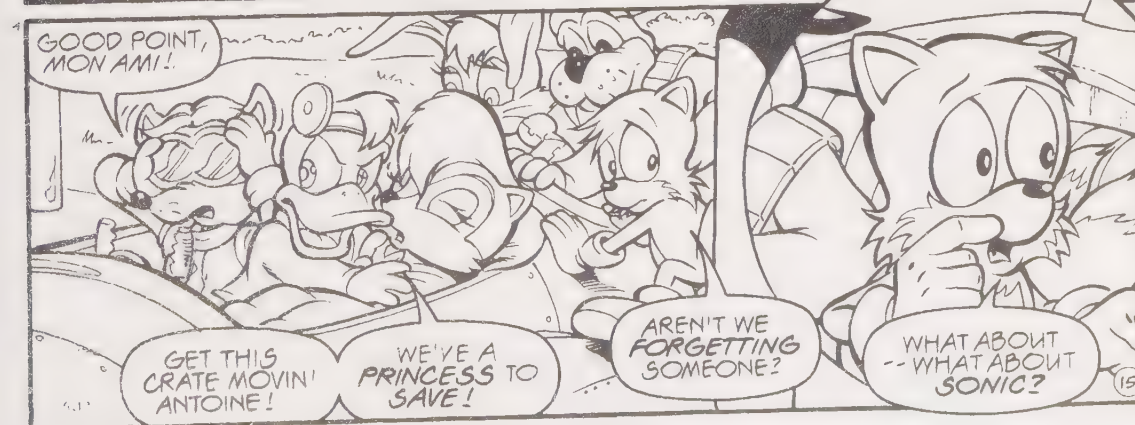
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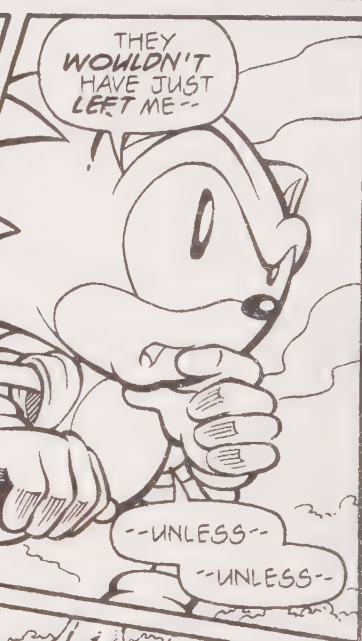
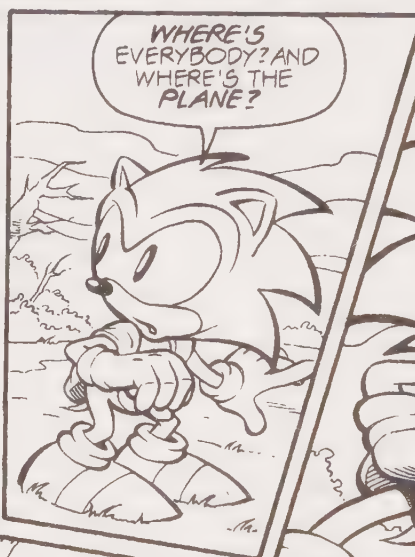
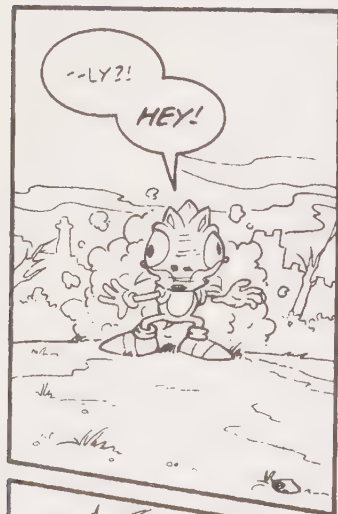
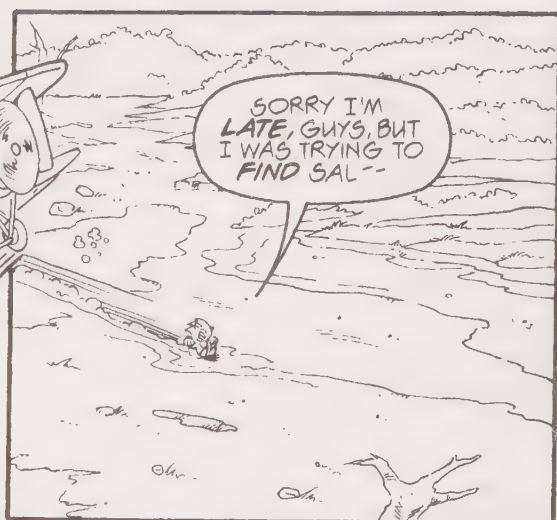
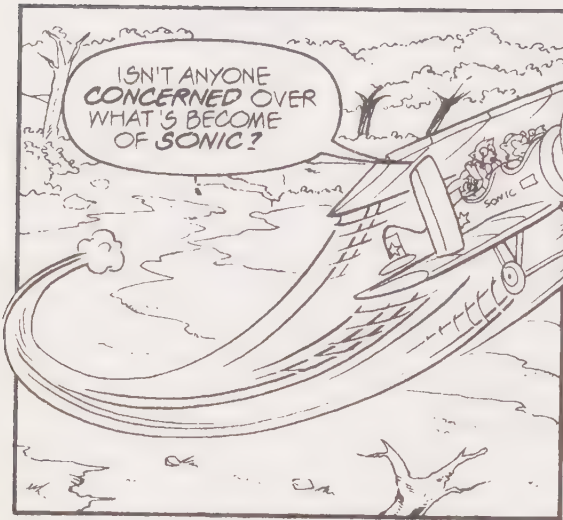
--SO WHY NOT GO FOR TWO?

HEY! I JUST THOUGHT--

WHERE'S SALLY?







"PROVIDED I DON'T
ARRIVE *BEFORE* THEY
DO, THAT IS!"

WHAT A RELIEF
MOST OF MY UNDER-
GROUND TRANSIT
SYSTEM *SURVIVED*
THE *DISASTER*
SNIVELY!*

*BACK IN SONIC #37--EDITOR.

HERE'S OUR STOP--
ROBOTROPOLIS
SOUTH!

QUICKLY,
SNIVELY! THERE
ISN'T A MOMENT
TO SPARE!

I DON'T WANT
TO BE CUT-OFF FROM
THE ACTION ANY LONGER
THAN NECESSARY!

GO GET ME
A QUART OF
THE GOOD STUFF,
SNIVELY!

ALL THIS
EXCITEMENT HAS
MADE ME VERY
THIRSTY!

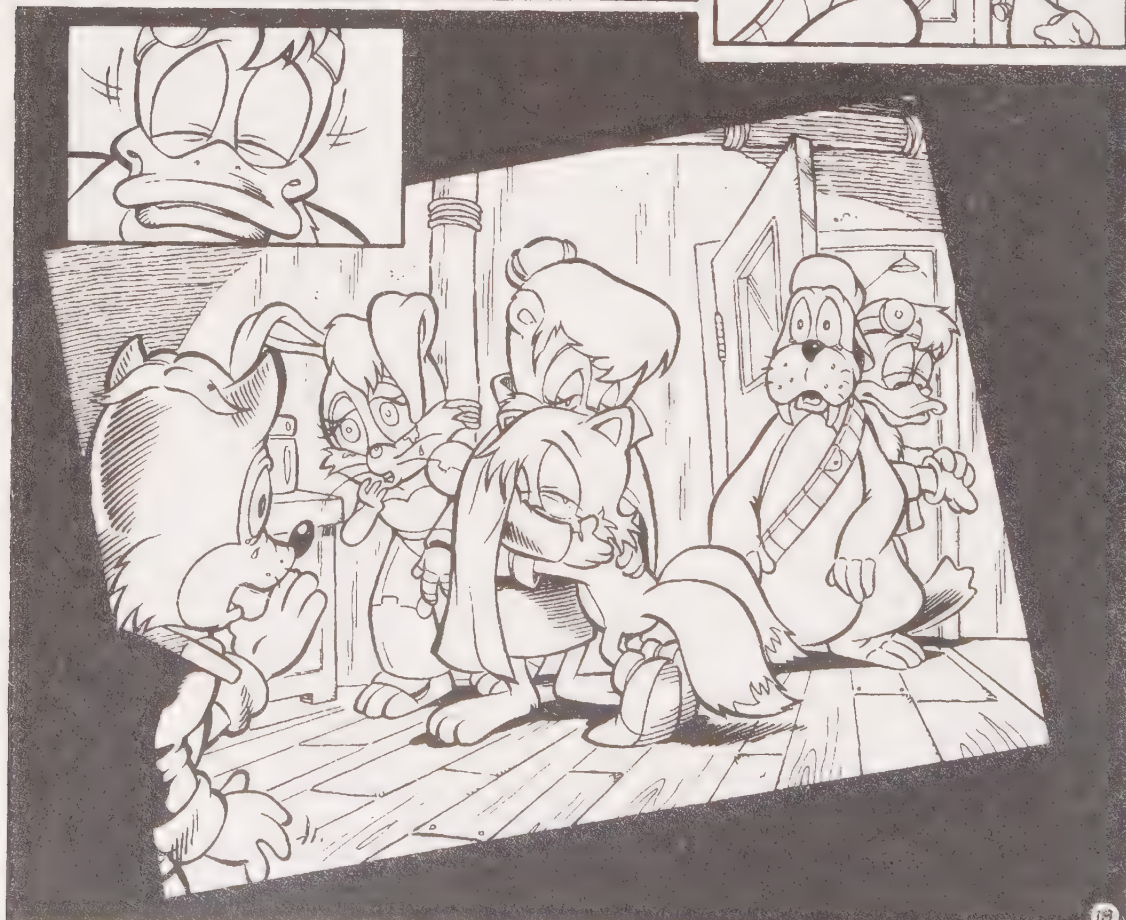
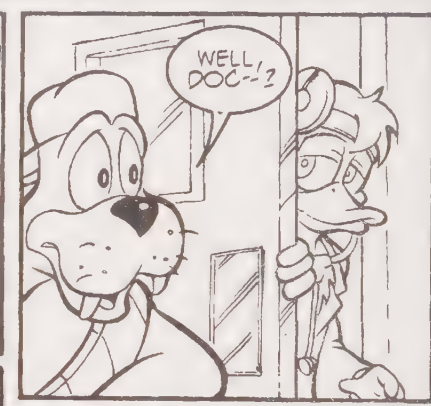
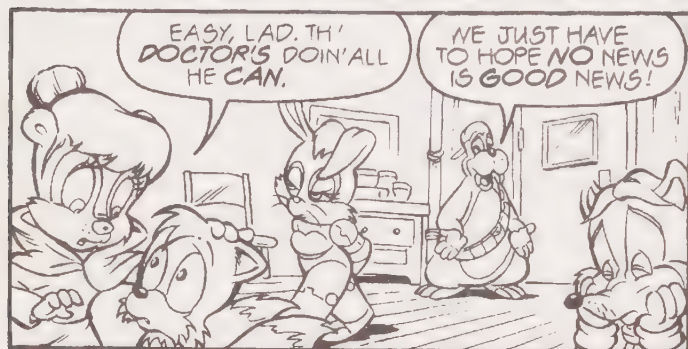
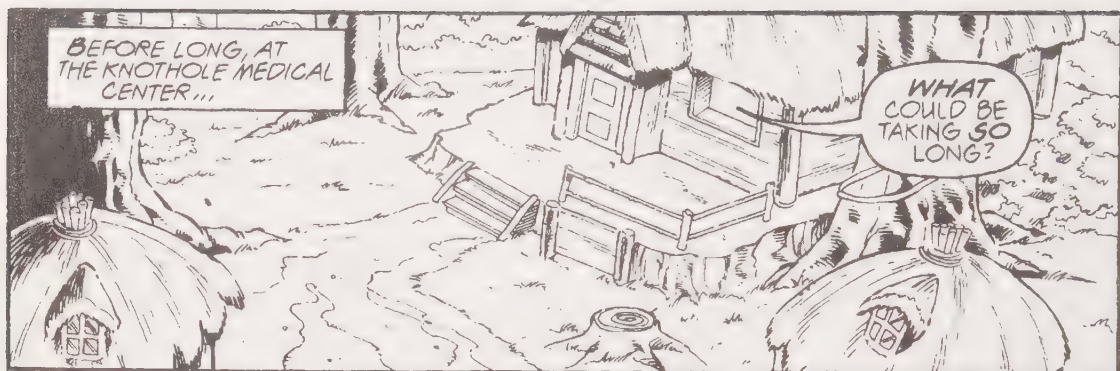
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SIR! RIGHT
AWAY!

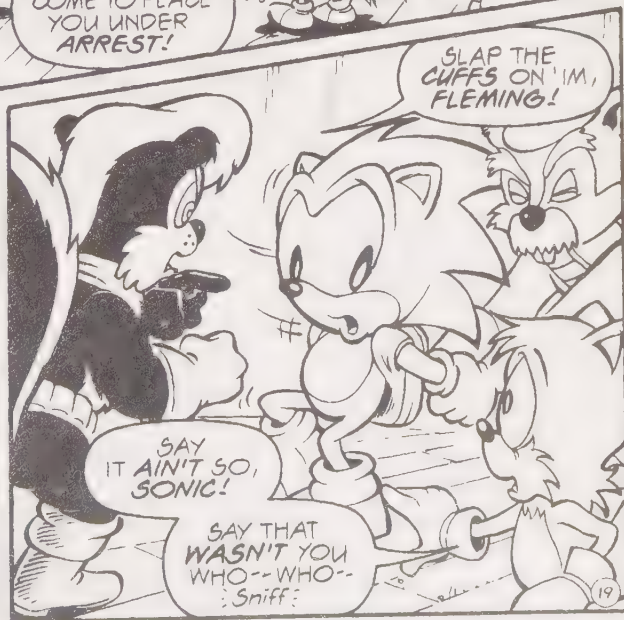
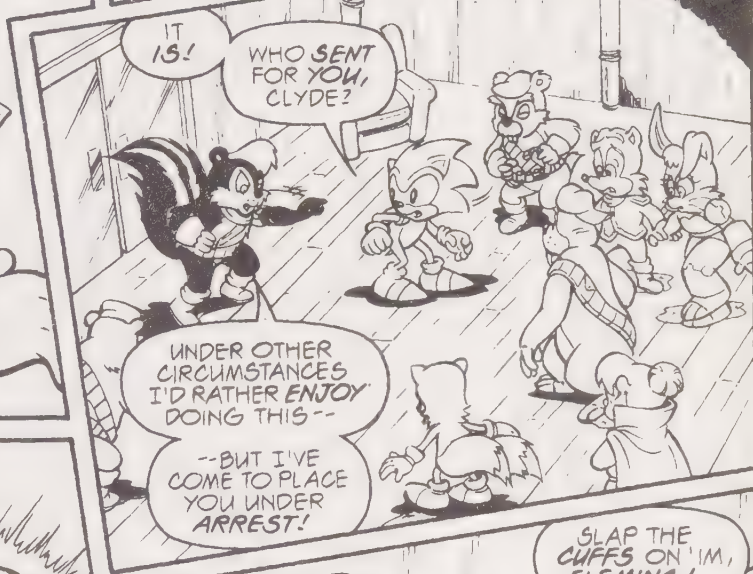
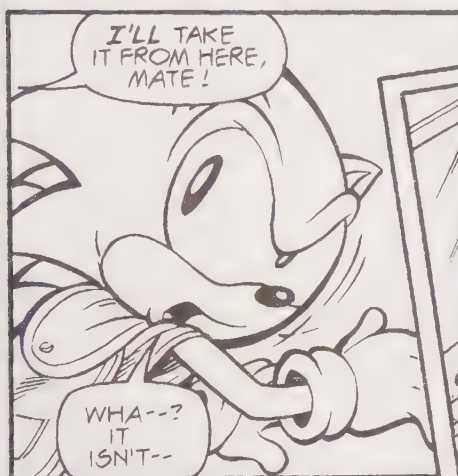
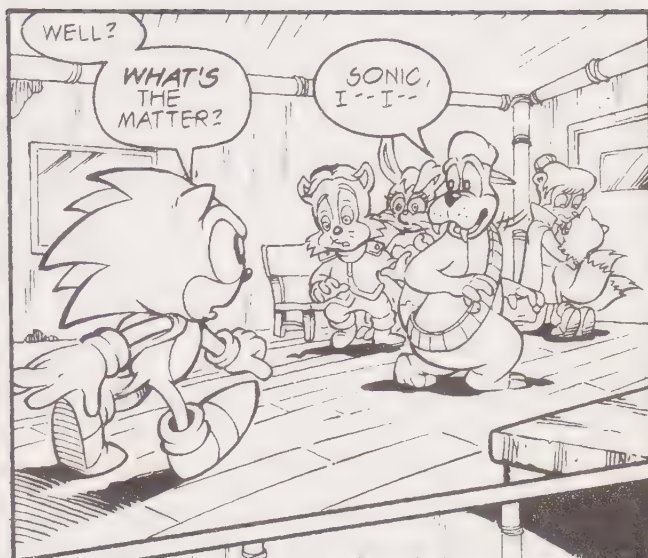
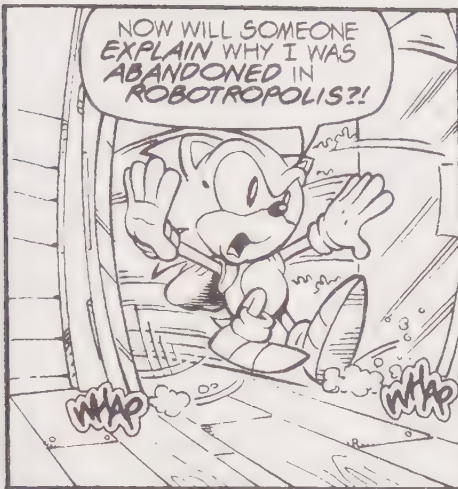
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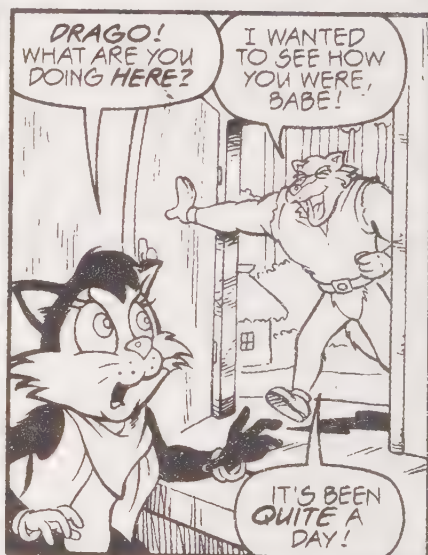
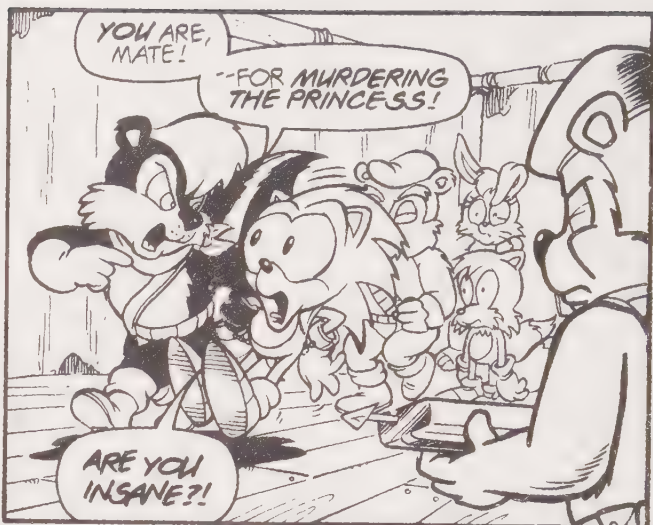
--LET'S SEE
IF THIS IS THE
NEWS I NEED
WHEN I NEED
IT!

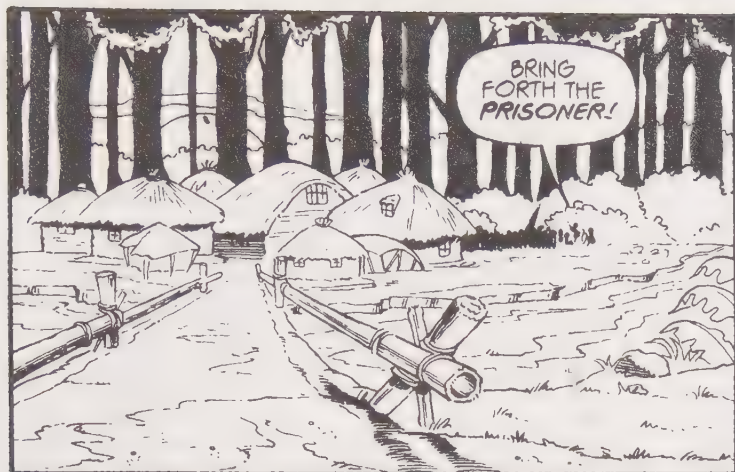
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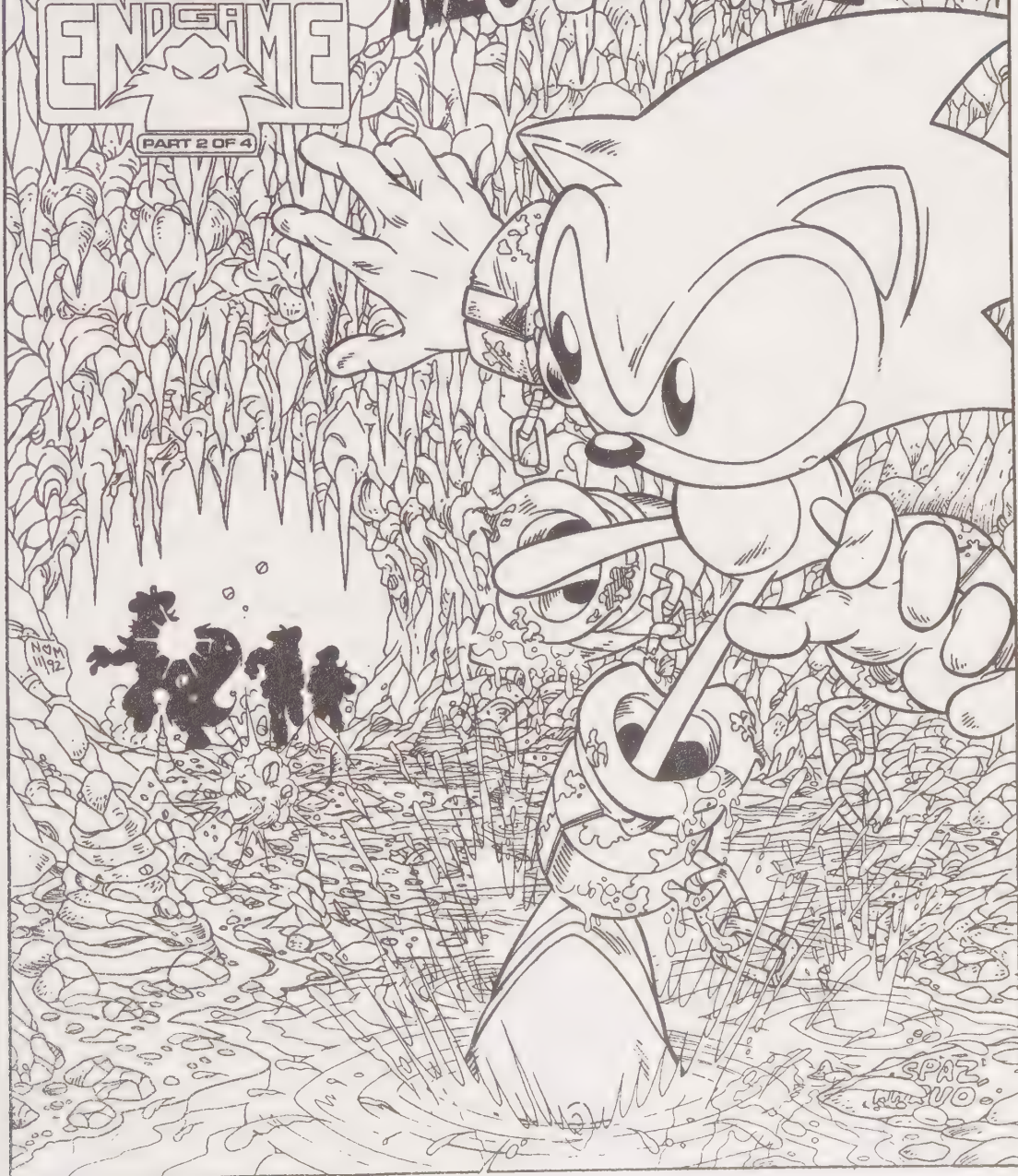
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ENDGAME

PART 2 OF 4



Years ago, most of the young residents of **Planet Mobius** were forced into war, defending themselves against the conspiracy of **Julian**, former **Warlord** of the **Kingdom of Acorn**. Most notable of these "Freedom fighters" is a team lead by the King's own daughter, and championed by the swiftest hero in the land. While their past efforts have been valiant, they have been a far cry from the total defeat of the rechristened **Dr. Robotnik**.

When their former **sire** staged a miraculous return to health, fortune seemed to shine on our stalwart heroes. The glistening hope of more experienced **leadership** paved the way for potential salvation.

Alas, it was not to be...

During their latest mission, **Princess Sally Acorn** met sudden tragedy. Returned to **Knockhole Village**, she was pronounced **DEAD**. Almost as tragic was the revelation that she died at the hands of...

Sonic The Hedgehog himself!


Pronouncing sentence, the king condemned the "former" hero to a life of imprisonment. While it is clear that treachery and deceit abound, it is equally unclear who **all** the conspirators are of this swift **injustice**. While it is certain that the dark forces of **Robotropolis** are preparing their next move, it is equally uncertain whether our heroes will rally, recreating the former glory of the once-gleaming city of **Mobotropolis**.

One thing cannot be disputed — no one will ever be the same...



WHAT'S GOING ON HERE!

I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT SALLY'S DEATH!




YOU'RE MAKING A BIG MISTAKE! I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW SHE WAS DEAD UNTIL I RETURNED TO KNOTHOLE!

WNG!

I SAID YOU'RE GOING TO THE DEVIL'S GULAG. IT'S BEEN DEFUNCT SINCE THE GREAT WAR ENDED!

WAA!

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO MADE THE MISTAKE, MATE -- AND IT'LL BE YOUR LAST!



NEXT TIME BRING YOUR OWN PLANE! YOU BRUTES BETTER NOT PUT ZEE SCRATCH ON MY BEAUTY!

IS THAT ALL YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT?!

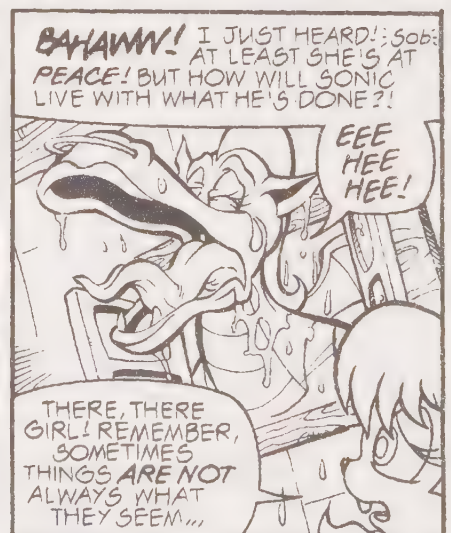
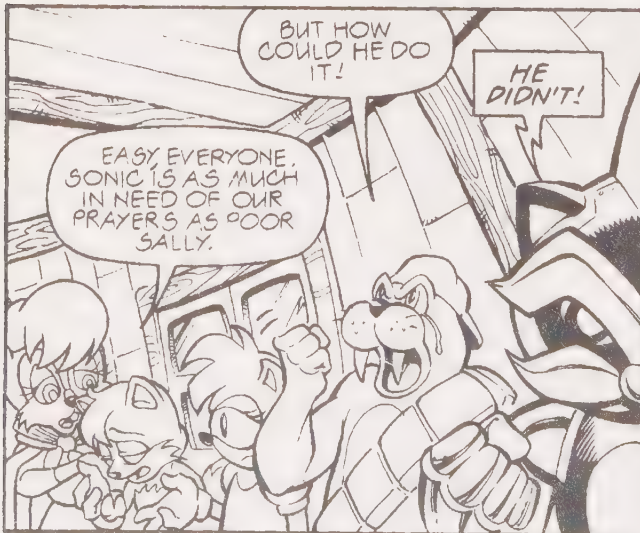
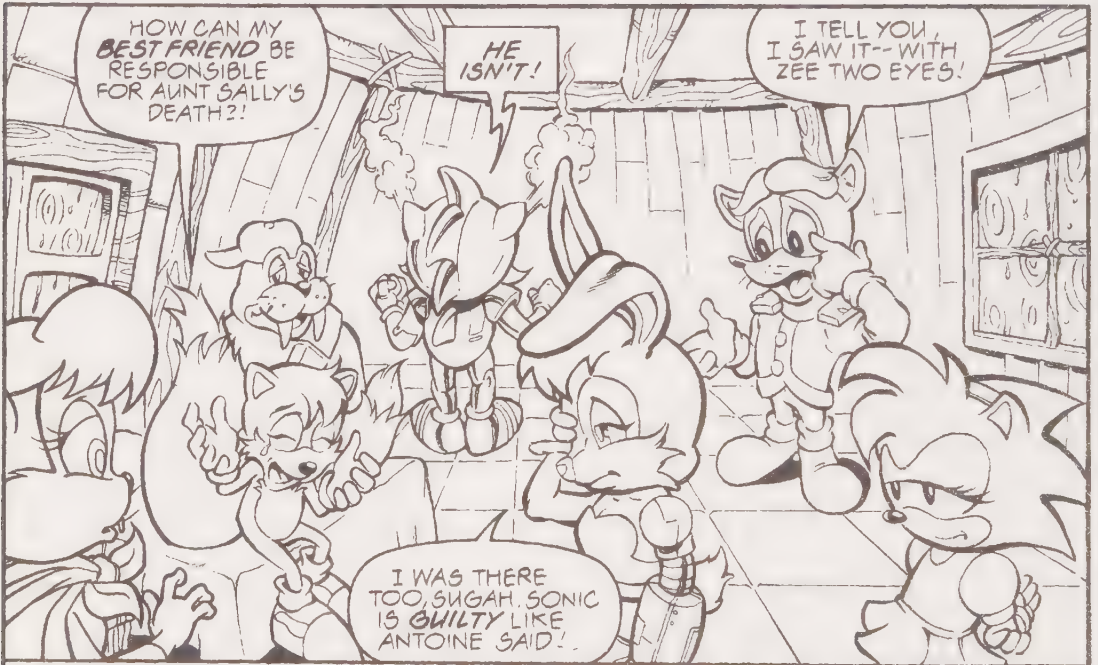
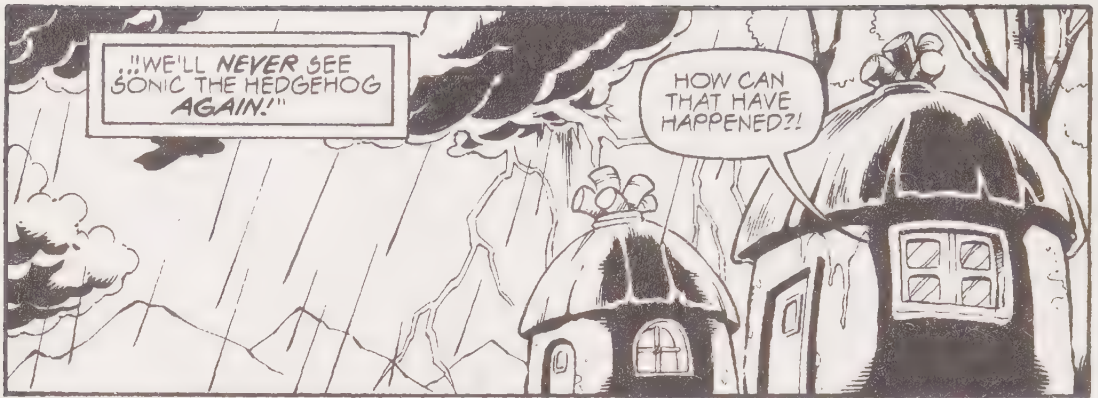
WHY YOU DIRTY--!!

THAT'S ENOUGH! YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO ESCORT MY NEPHEW, NOT ELIMINATE HIM!

DON'T WORRY, SONIC, WE'LL GET YOU BACK!

THE PLANE AND MY MEN WILL CERTAINLY BE COMING BACK, BUT WITH ANY LUCK...

CRASH!



CURRENTLY, HOWEVER,
THINGS SEEM PRETTY
BLEAK FOR OUR "EX?"
HERO...

THIS WHOLE
MESS STARTED WHEN
SAL GOT ORDERS TO
INVADE ROBOTROPOLIS
FROM HER DAD--A GUY
SUPPOSEDLY TURNING
TO CRYSTAL!*

AND NOW THAT SAME
KING HAS EXILED ME TO
THE PLACE OF MY BOY-
HOOD NIGHTMARES --

WHERE MY DAD USED
TO TELL ME ALL **BAD**
BOYS AND WAR PRIS-
ONERS WERE SENT --

--THE
DEVIL'S GULAS!

*KING ACORN'S MALADY WAS
REVEALED IN SONIC QUEST#1--ED

HOW'D HE
GET BETTER SO
FAST AND...

LOOKS LIKE I WASN'T
THE ONLY **DOUBLE AGENT!**
WHAT DID ROBOTNIK
PROMISE YOU--YOUR VERY
OWN **CHILI DOG CHAIN?**

Huh?

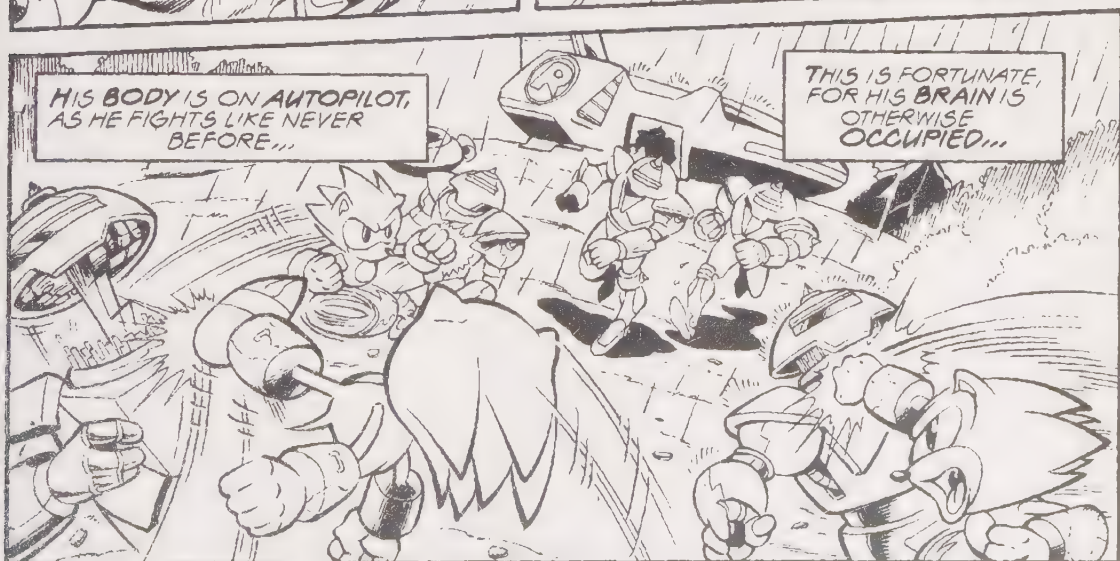
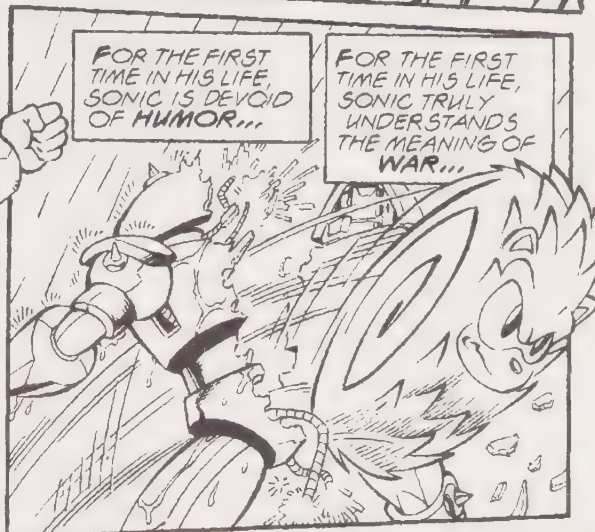
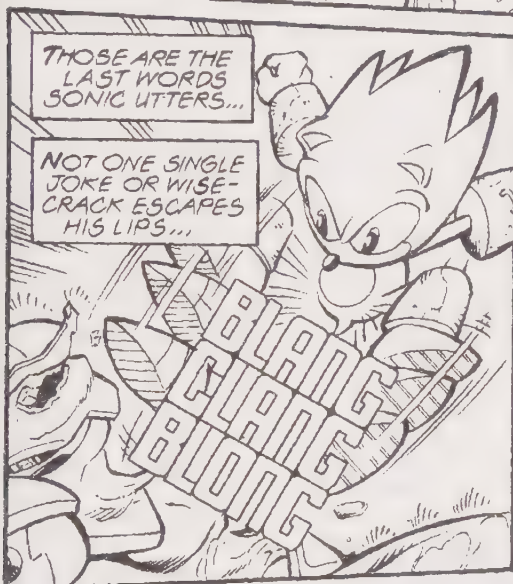
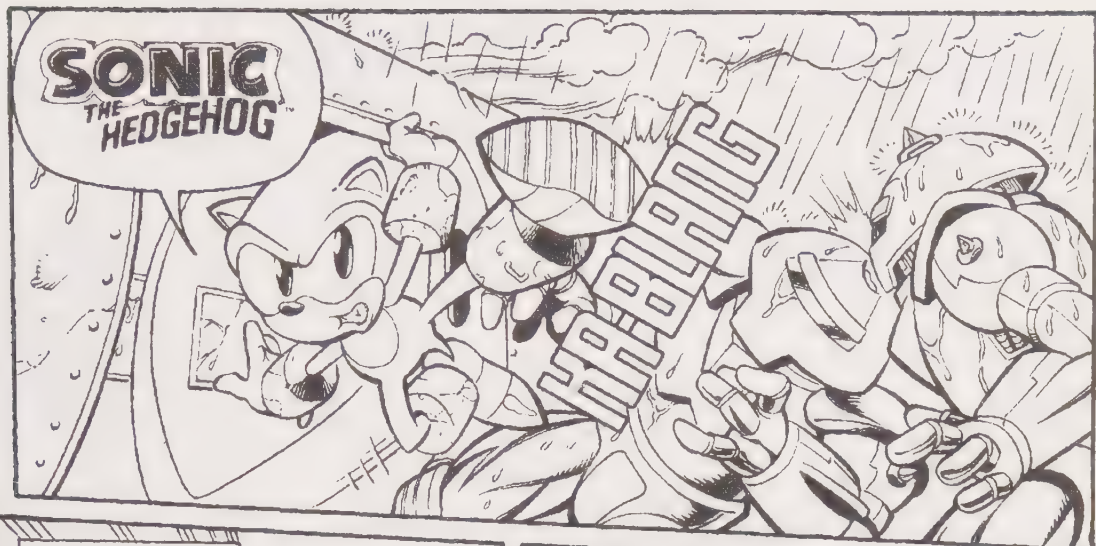
SLEUTH DOGGY DOG!
YOU TREASONOUS TRAITOR!*

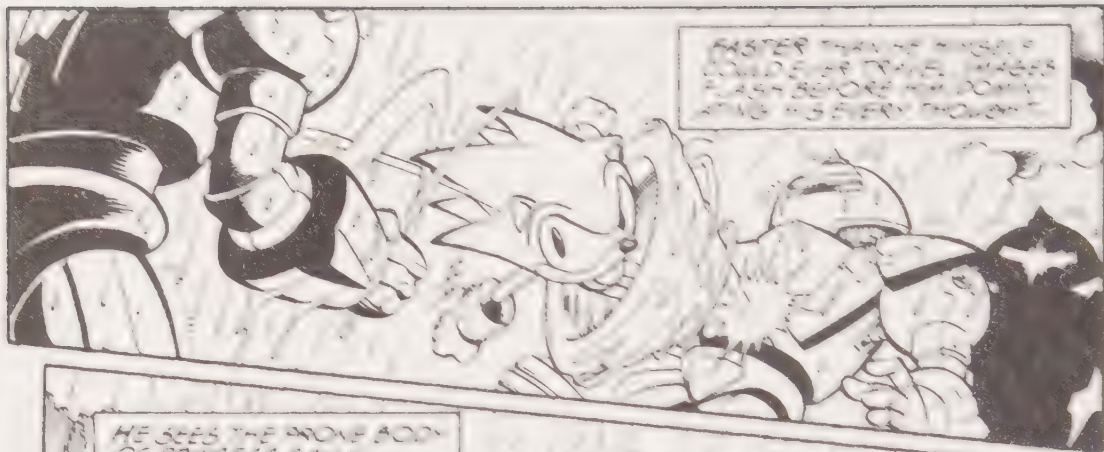
I'M GONNA... Umph!

Haw! Haw! THE ONCE
HEROIC SONIC, REDUCED
TO A CHAINED-UP **CON!**
YOU TEAR ME UP!

I'LL REALLY
TEAR YOU GUYS
UP IF YOU DON'T
SHUT UP!

*SLEUTH'S TREACHERY WAS
REVEALED IN SONIC#42-- EDITOR.

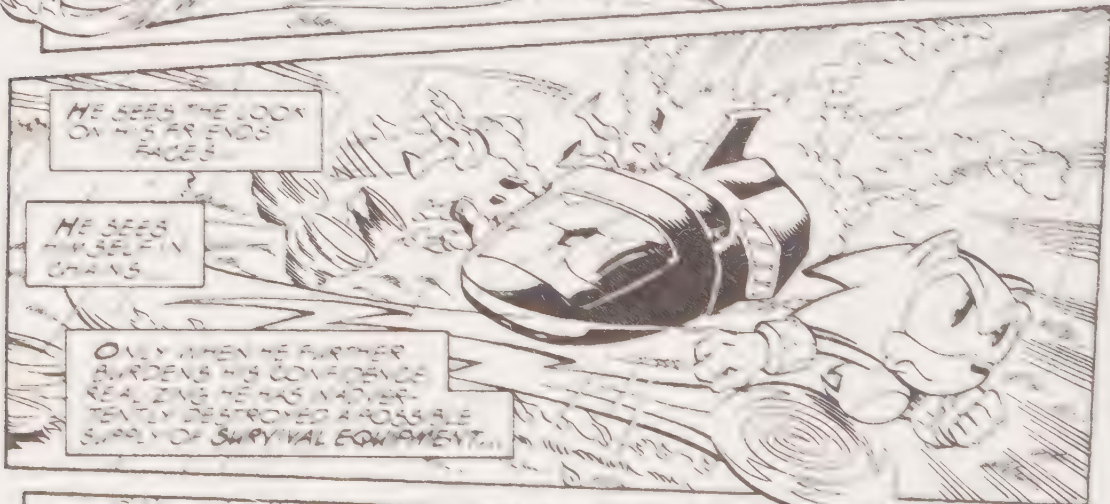




FASTER THAN HE KNOWS, A
CONFUSING TUMBLING IMAGES
FLASH BEFORE HIM, DOMINATING
HIS EVERY THOUGHT.



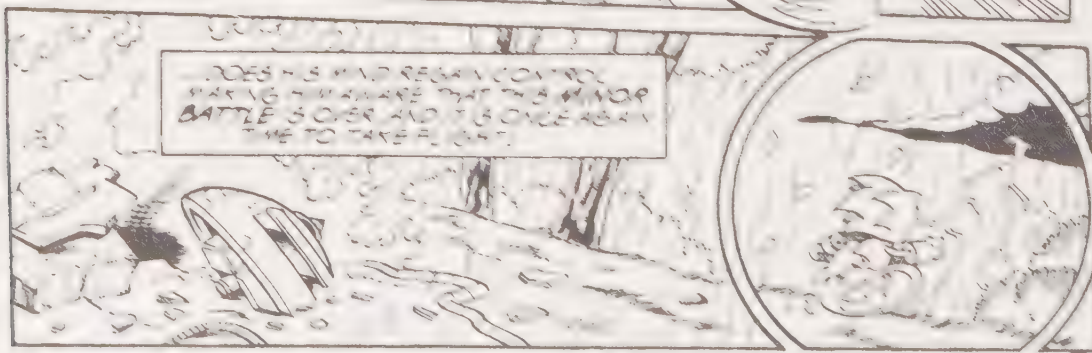
HE SEES THE PRONE BODY
OF PRINCESS SALLY.



HE SEES THE LOOK
ON HIS FRIENDS'
FACES.

HE SEES
HIMSELF IN
CHAINS.

ONLY WHEN HE FURTHER
BURDENS HIS CONFIDENCE
REALIZING HE HAS INADVERTENTLY
DESTROYED A VAST
SUPPLY OF SURVIVAL EQUIPMENT.



DOES HE HAVE REGAIN CONTROL,
FINDING HIMSELF THAT THE MAJOR
BATTLE IS OVER AND IS ONCE AGAIN
THE TO TAKE FLIGHT.

WHILE THE DEPARTING SONIC PONDERES HIS DESTINY, OTHERS ARE ALREADY PREPARING FOR HIS IMMEDIATE FUTURE...

AHM, YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS, FORGIVE MY INTERRUPTION OF YOUR MEDITATIONS, BUT I'M GLAD I'VE CAUGHT YOU ALONE!

YOUR REPORTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME, FAITHFUL DRAGO!

I'M SORRY TO REPORT THAT THE PLANE TRANSPORTING SONIC HAS CRASHED MILES AWAY FROM THE PLANNED DESTINATION...! THE MP'S ARE OKAY AND SNOOP IS STILL IN CUSTODY, BUT--

SONIC HAS ESCAPED!

PITY, IT APPEARS HE WILL HAVE TO BE HUNTED DOWN LIKE A DOG... OR BY DOGS!

SEND IN ST. JOHN...

SHORTLY...

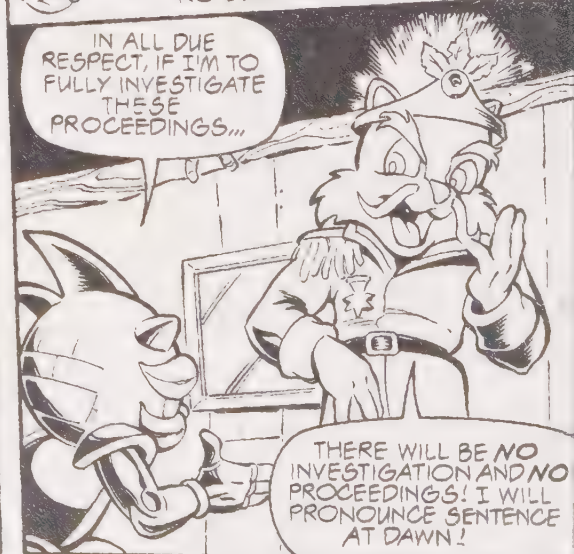
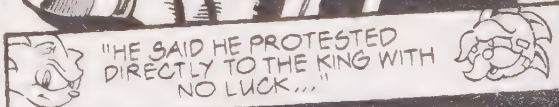
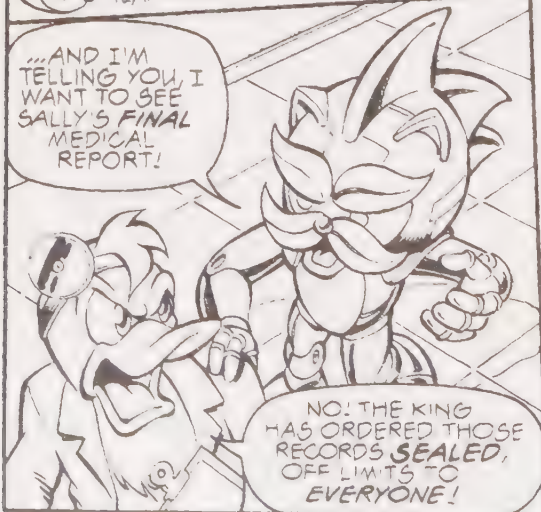
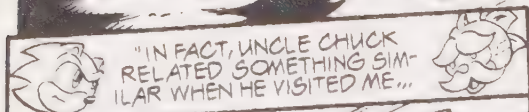
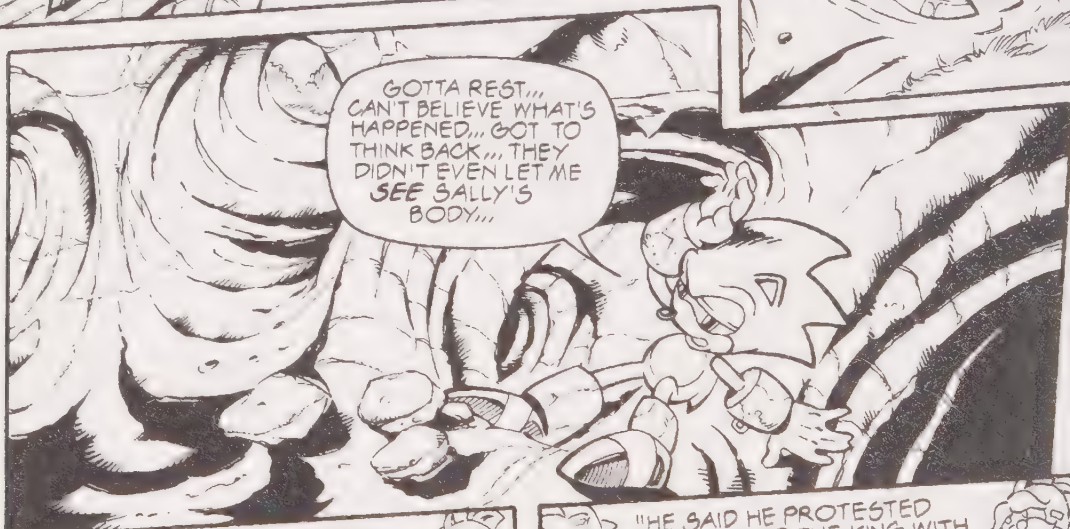
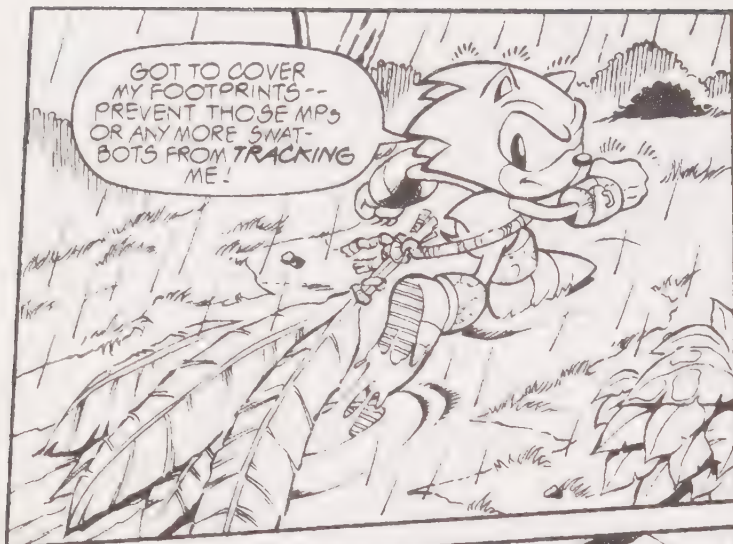
YOUR MEN HAVE FAILED ME, GEOFFREY! SONIC THE HEDGEHOG HAS ESCAPED!

...BUT MY MEN ARE THE FINEST-TRAINED SOLDIERS ANYWHERE!

GIVE ME NOT YOUR EXCUSES, MAN! I WON'T HAVE A MURDERER FREE IN MY SOON-TO-BE RESTORED KINGDOM!

FORGIVE ME, YOUR MAJESTY! I'LL ROUST MY MEN IMMEDIATELY! AND I MAKE YOU THIS PLEDGE--

--IF IT'S THE LAST THING I DO I WILL RECAPTURE THAT HEDGEHOG!



"AND HE DIDN'T NEED ANY OF HIS ESPIONAGE EXPERIENCE TO REALIZE SOMETHING WAS WAY PAST UNCOOL..."

I THINK OUR "CAMPFIRE POW WOW" REVEALED THE TRUTH -- THERE IS A TRAITOR OR TRAITORS IN OUR MIDST... AND I KNOW IT ISN'T YOU!*

*IT HAPPENED IN SONIC #46 EDITOR.

"HE WAS THE ONLY ONE WHO GOT PAST THE **SHOCK** AND HAD HIS STUFF TOGETHER!"

DON'T GIVE UP HOPE, SONIC! I KNOW I WON'T UNTIL JUSTICE IS SERVED!

SONIC'S MIND REELS IN TURMOIL...

AND WHEN HIS CAPACITY TO PONDER CURRENTLY UNANSWERABLE QUESTIONS COMES TO AN END...

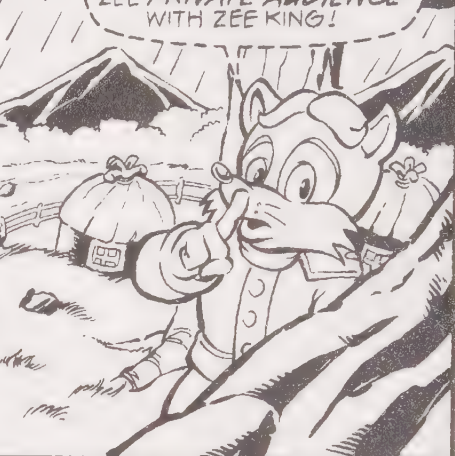
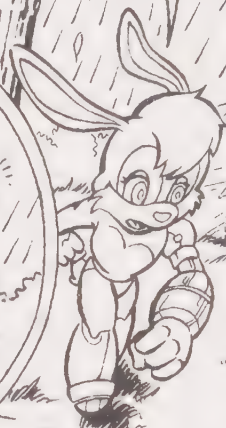
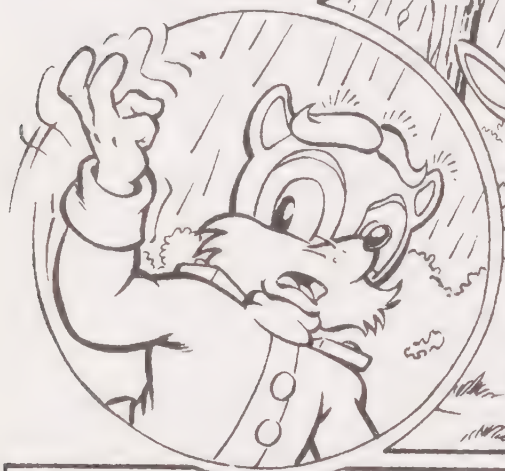
... ONLY THEN DOES HE FEEL THE TRUE IMPACT OF SALLY'S PASSING...

... ONLY THEN DOES THE STRESS AND GRIEF FORCE HIS BODY TO SUCCUMB TO SLEEP.

BACK AT KNOTHOLE VILLAGE...

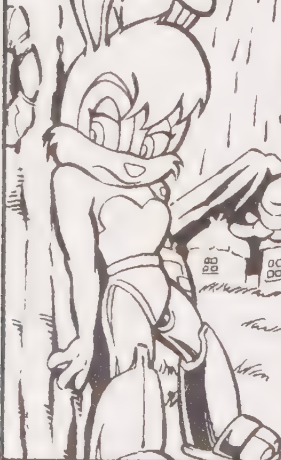
WHAT'S UP, ANTOINE?

SSHE VERY BE-ZARRE! MOMENTS AGO, DRAGO, AND THEN "LE FEW" GOT ZEE PRIVATE AUDIENCE WITH ZEE KING!



THESE ARE TERRIBLE TIMES, SUGAH!

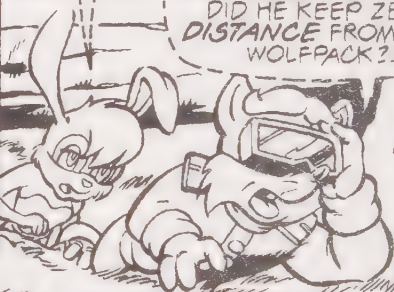
REALLY?! THEN WHY HAVE WE NOT BEEN GRANTED ZEE SAME PRIVILEGE?



AH DON'T KNOW! BUT AT LEAST IT CONFIRMS THAT GEOFFREY IS GENUINE!

PERHAPS, BUT DRAGO? HE NEVER CLAIMED TO BE IN ZEE KING'S CONFIDENCE!

AND DURING SONIC'S JUDGEMENT, WHY DID HE KEEP ZEE DISTANCE FROM ZEE WOLFPACK?!



*T'WAN BELIEVES GEOFFREY TO BE A SPY. SEE SONIC #46 --EDITOR

AH DON'T KNOW! BUT Y'ALL REALIZE THAT WE'VE BEEN FOLLOWING DRAGO, DON'T YA?

OUI! I HAVE SAID THAT I WAS DESTINED TO BE HIS MAJESTY'S NUMBER ONE SOLDIER...



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"AND IF ZEE KING CANNOT
SEE THE GREAT FOREST FOR
ZEE TREES, THEN I WILL DO
MY DUTY AS ZEE **RAIDER**
OF ZEE **TRAITORS**!"

HELLO, DEAR! THE
FUTURE "**DUKE**" OF
ROBOTROPOLIS
IS HOME!

LEAVE ME OUT
OF YOUR **FUTURE**!
I'VE DONE MY
PART--AND THAT'S
ENOUGH!

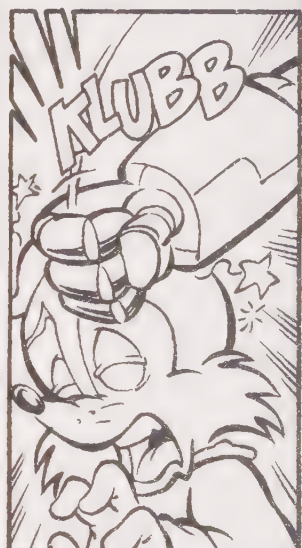
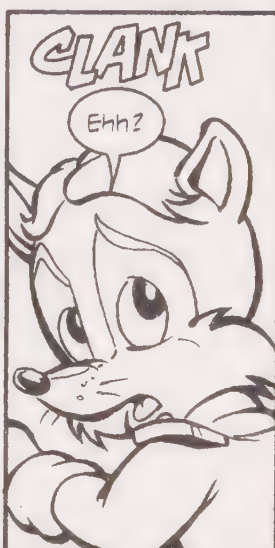
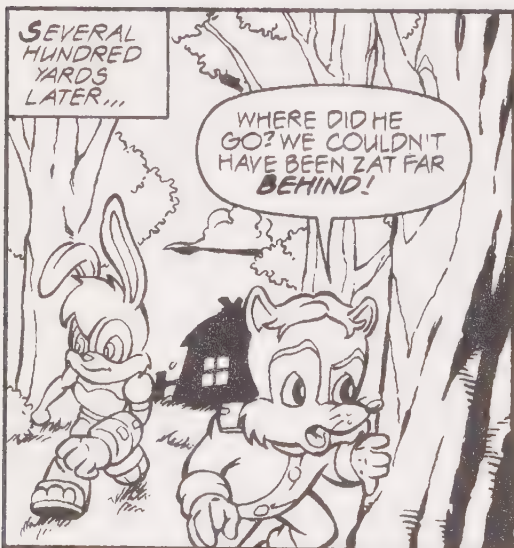
AND IN
APPRECIATION
OF YOUR **HELP**,
MAYBE I'LL MAKE
YOU MY FUTURE
"**DUCHESS**"!

DON'T TAKE THAT
TONE WITH ME! YOU'RE
INTO THIS UP TO YOUR
PRETTY NECK!

YOU'RE
HURTING
MY ARM!

THEN YOU
LISTEN HERE! SONIC
HAS **ESCAPED**
GEOFFREY'S MEN!
BUT ST. JOHN **HIMSELF**
HAS BEEN ORDERED
TO HUNT HIM
DOWN!

I'M **SURE** HE'LL
FIND HIM, AND WITH
ANY LUCK, THEY'LL
ELIMINATE EACH
OTHER!



AND WHILE A NEW TREACHEROUS
ACT IS BEING PERPETRATED, A
PREVIOUS ONE WILL SOON BE
TAKEN TO THE NEXT LEVEL...

MUMBL...NO...
MUTTSKI...BLBB...
DON'T EAT MY
LUNCH...

GRRRRRROWLL

Huh?! WHA?! THAT'S NOT
MUTTSKI! THAT GROWLING'S
COMING FROM THE CAVERNS
AND I'VE HEARD IT
BEFORE! IT'S...

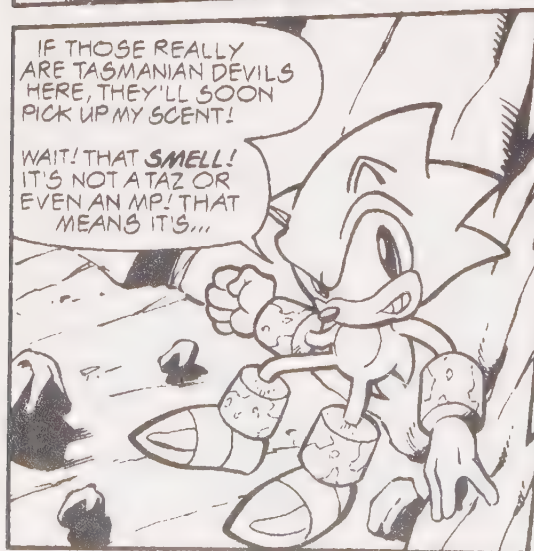
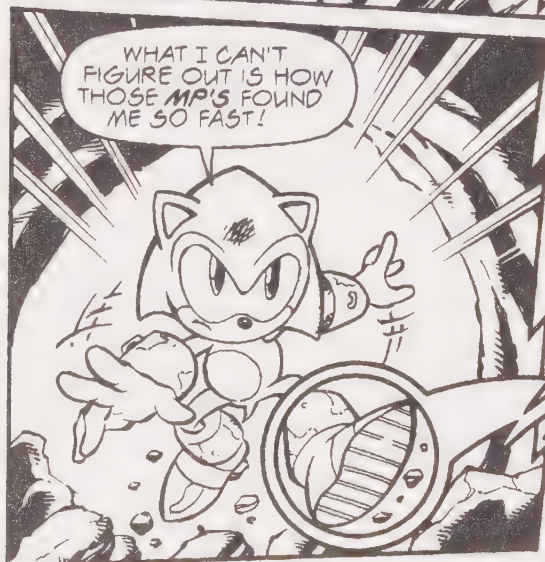
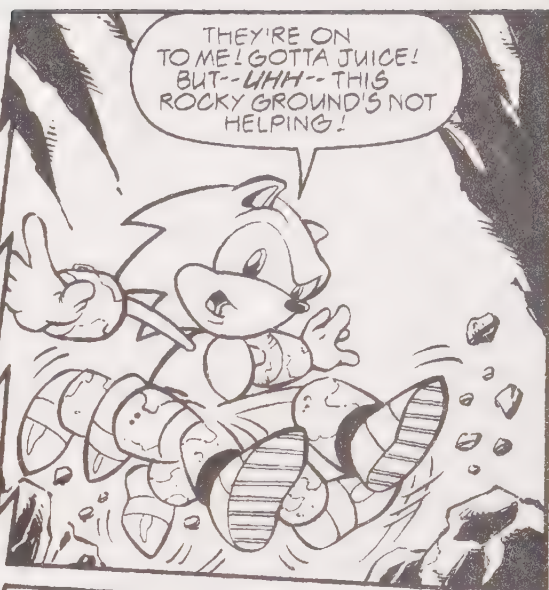
TASMANIAN DEVILS!
ONE OF THE FEW MOBIAN
RACES THAT NEVER FULLY
EVOLVED!

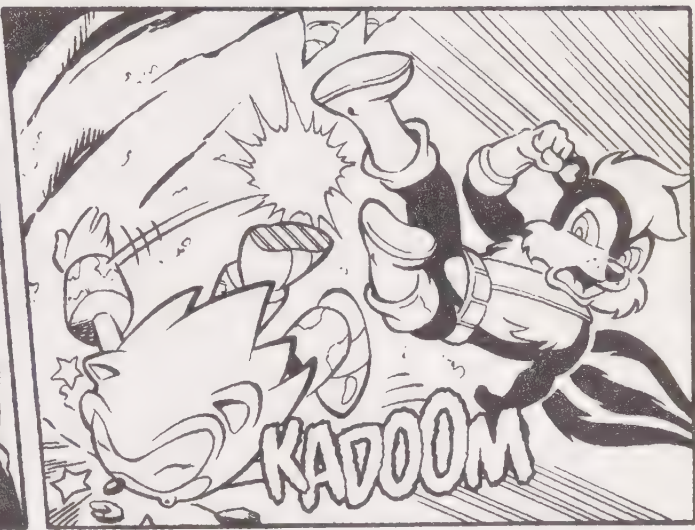
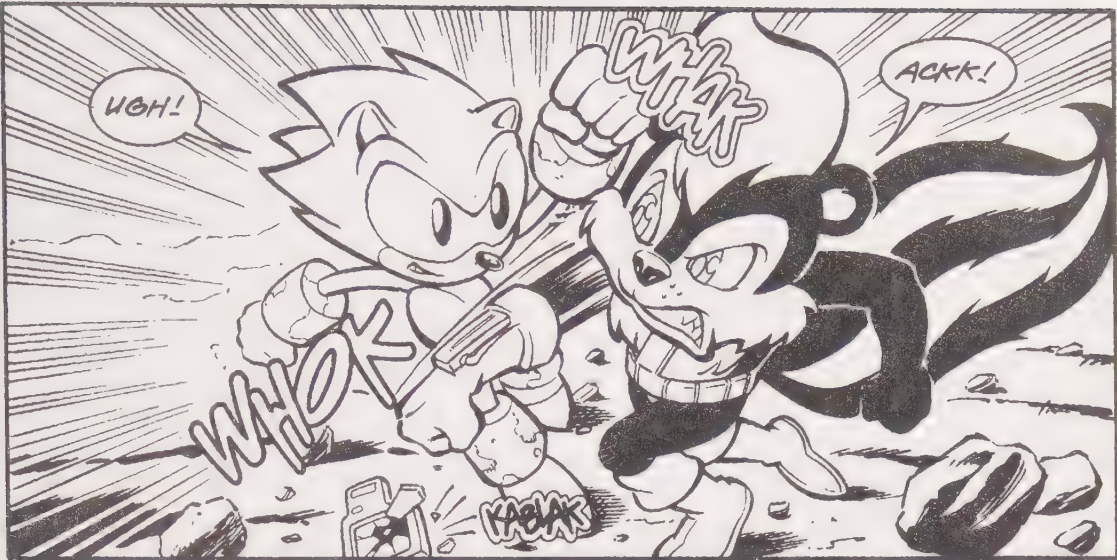
THEY'RE UGLY
AND SMELLY BUT
THEY MAKE GREAT
TRACKERS!

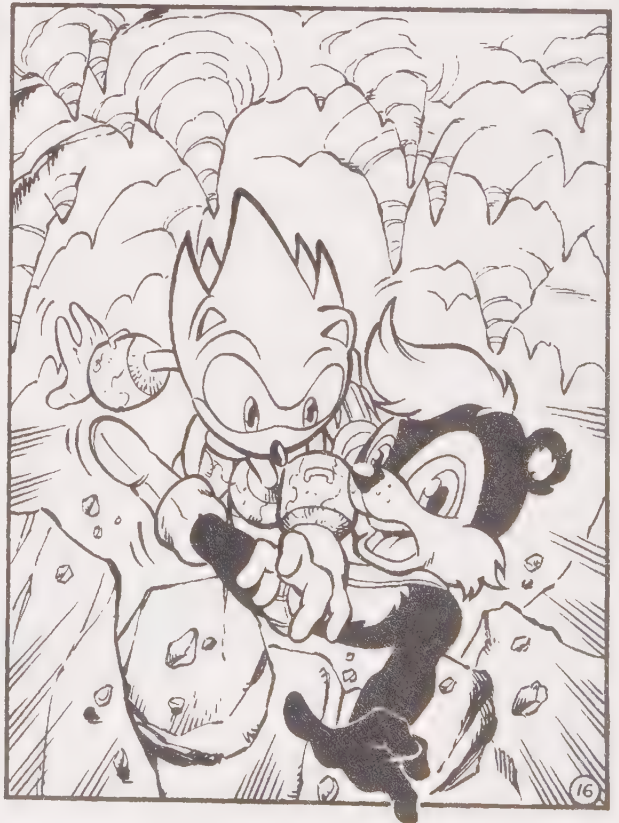
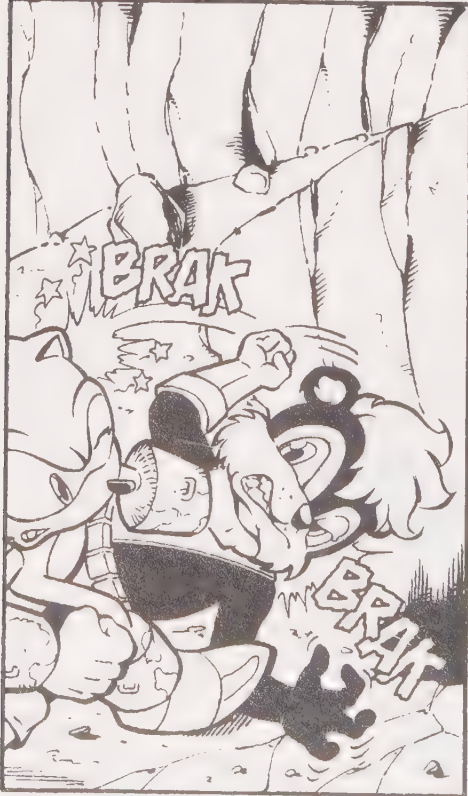
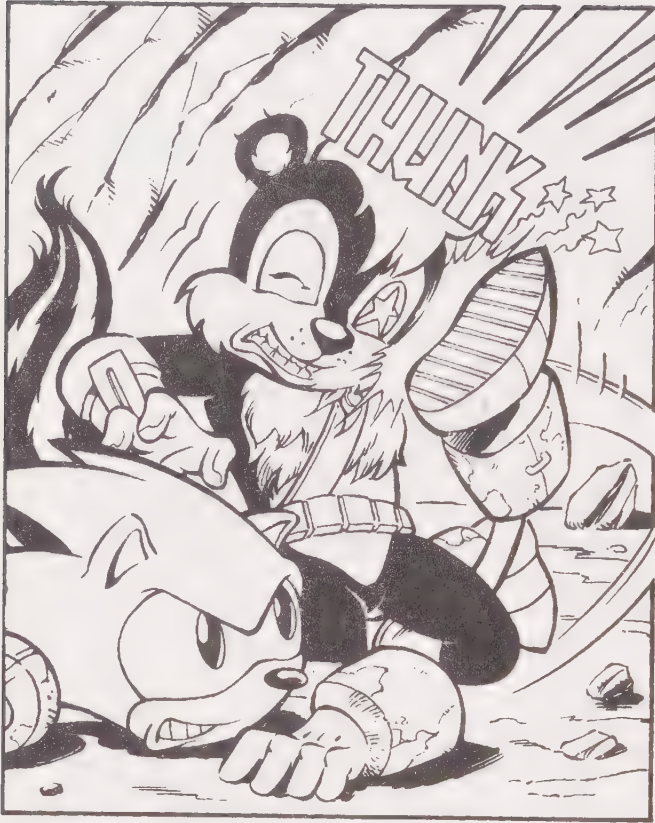
ERRRR!
FUTT!

GROWL!

YOU MEN GO
THAT WAY! I'LL
SEARCH DOWN
HERE!



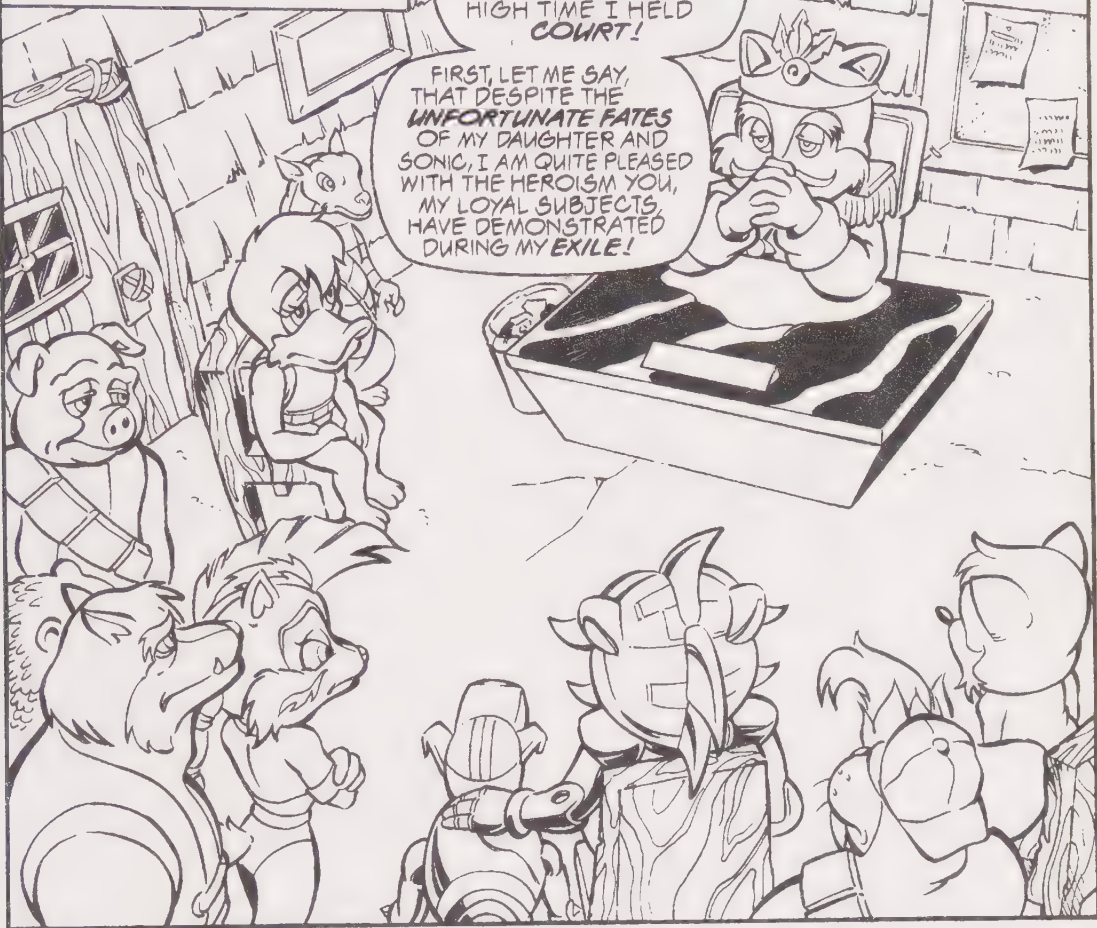




AS WE PONDER THE
FATE OF OUR COMBATANTS,
WE TAKE A POSSIBLE
LAST LOOK INSIDE KNOTHOLE
VILLAGE...

SINCE IT HAS BEEN
YEARS SINCE I LAST
DID SO, AND IN LIEU OF
ALL THE RECENT
EVENTS, I THOUGHT IT
HIGH TIME I HELD
COURT!

FIRST, LET ME SAY,
THAT DESPITE THE
UNFORTUNATE FATES
OF MY DAUGHTER AND
SONIC, I AM QUITE PLEASED
WITH THE HEROISM YOU,
MY LOYAL SUBJECTS,
HAVE DEMONSTRATED
DURING MY **EXILE!**



HOWEVER,
YOUR EFFORTS HAVE
OBVIOUSLY BEEN
FUTILE!

THERE HAS BEEN
TOO MUCH FIGHTING
AND TOO LITTLE
PROGRESS -- WHICH
I ATTRIBUTE TO
YOUR GENERAL **LACK**
OF ABILITY.

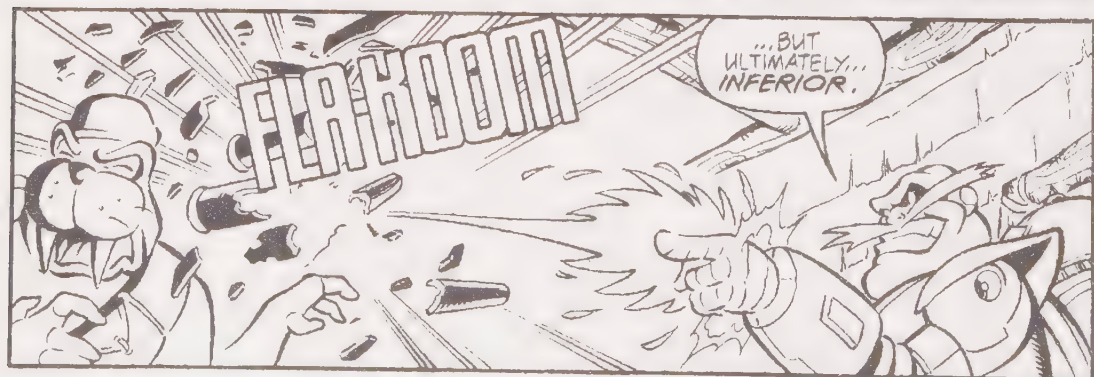
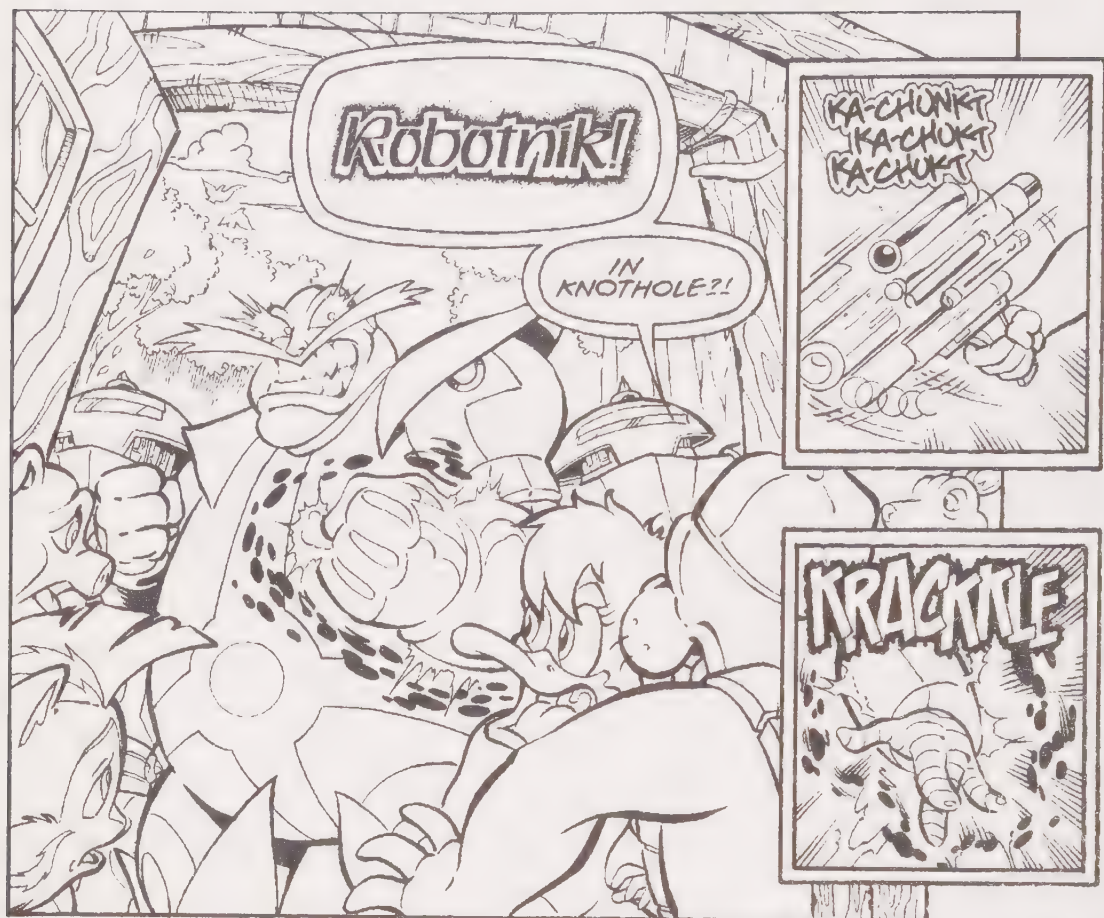


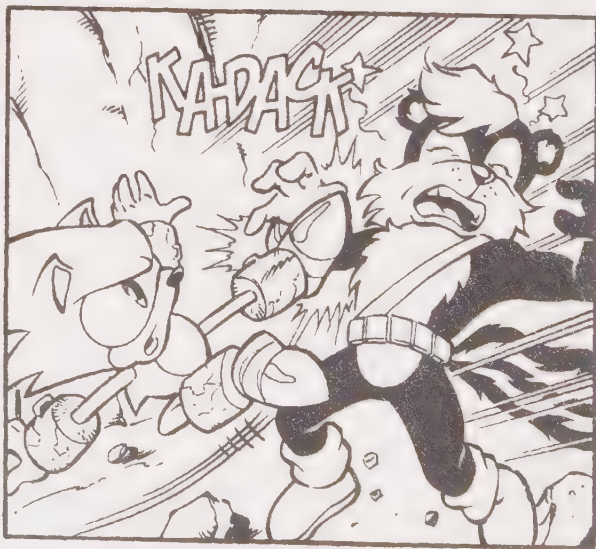
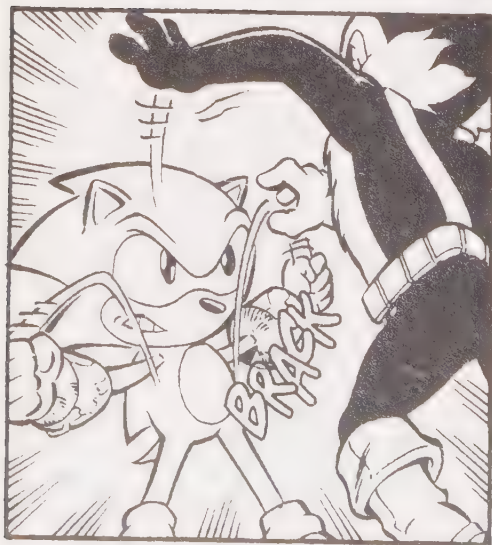
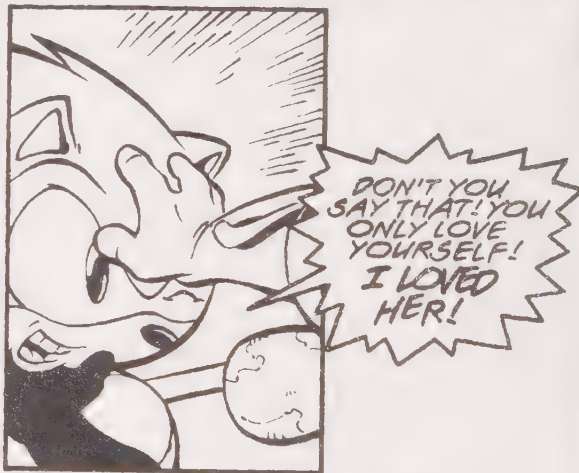
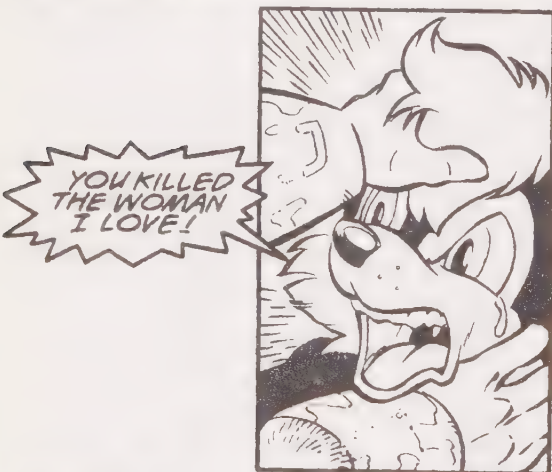
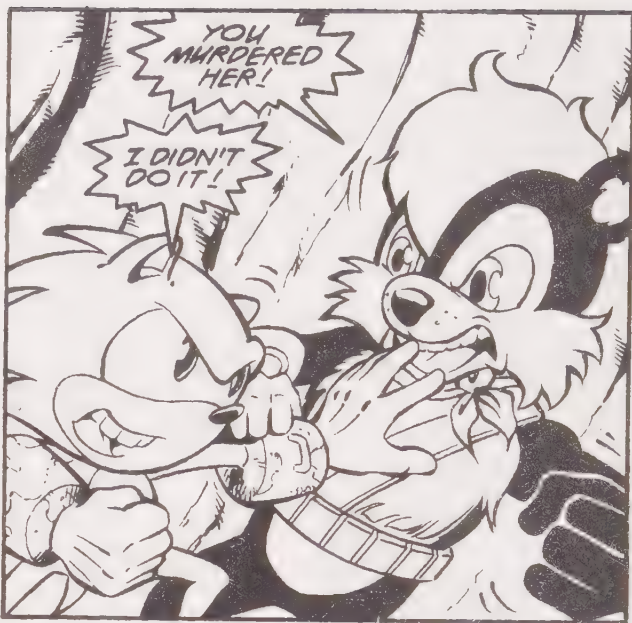
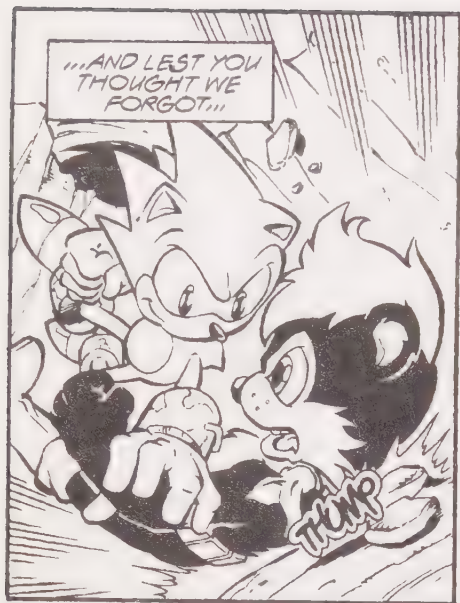
THAT IS WHY I
HAVE SEEN FIT, FOR
THE GOOD OF THE
KINGDOM, TO
REINSTATE THE PO-
SITION OF **WARLORD**
IN OUR REALM.

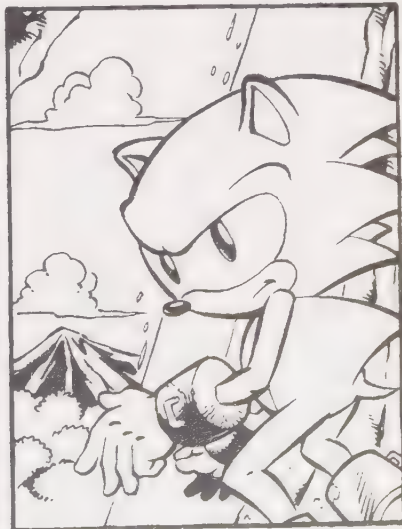
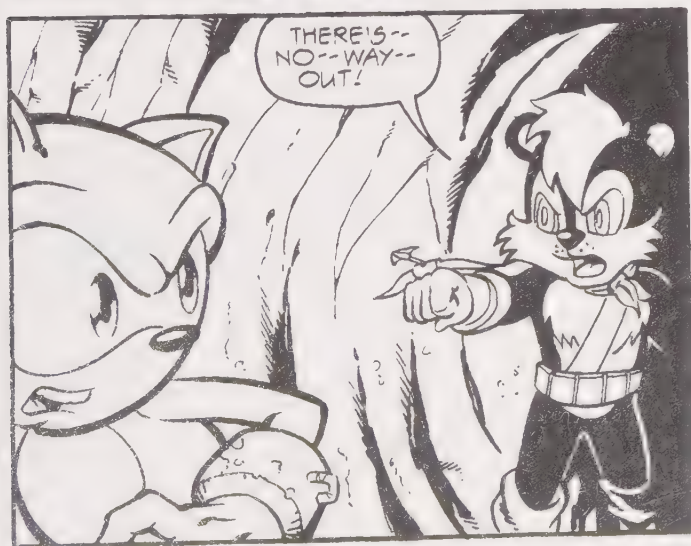
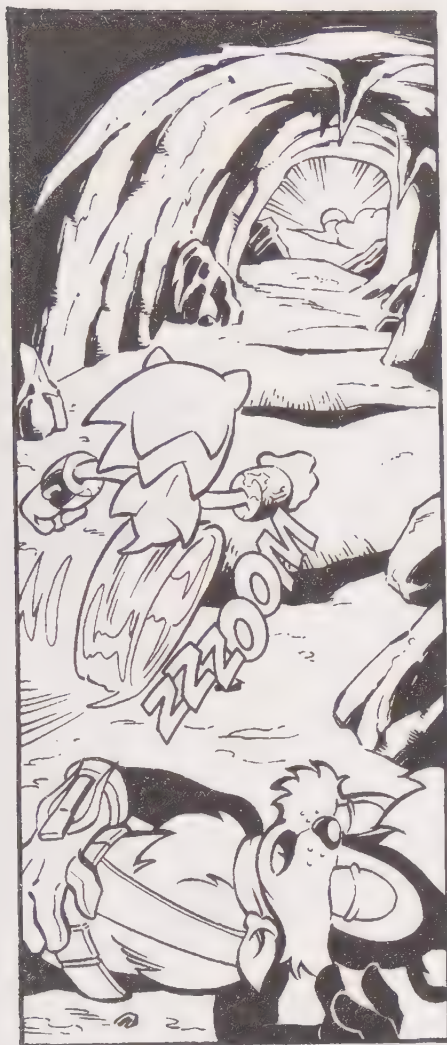
I THINK YOU'LL
FIND MY CANDIDATE
MORE THAN EX-
PERIENCED TO DO
THE JOB... **THAT**
NEEDS TO BE
DONE!

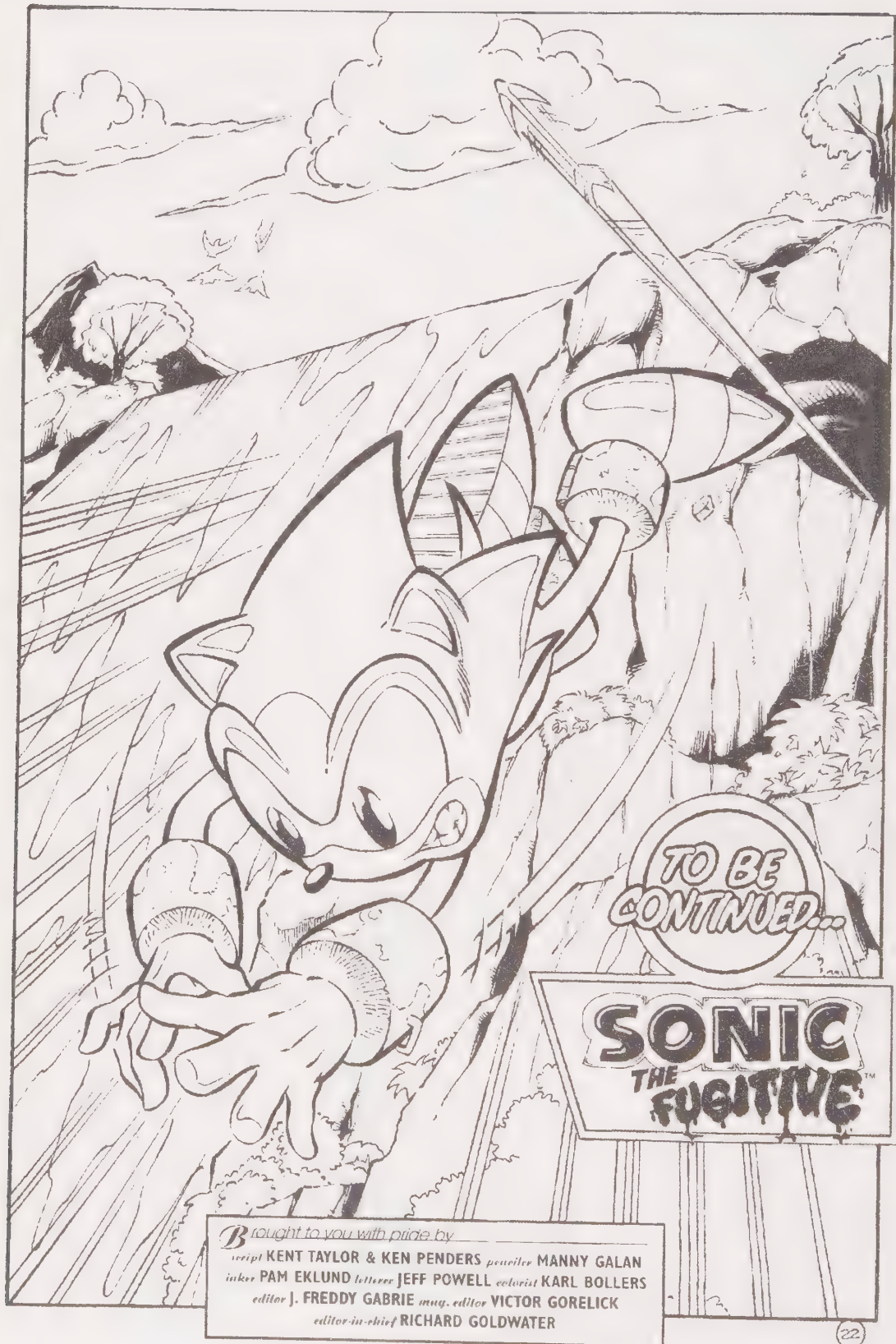
LOYAL SUBJECTS,
I AM PLEASED TO
INTRODUCE...











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For **Sonic** and **The Freedom Fighters**, it began with another routine mission into **Robotropolis** with the usual objective: the total defeat of the evil **Dr. Robotnik** and deliverance of their people from his tyranny. Unfortunately, their plan went wrong, due to the apparent treachery of **Sonic The Hedgehog**, as he sent **Princess Sally** to her doom in full view of everyone.

As the Freedom Fighters attempted to deal with their grief over these past events, **King Acorn** imposed Sonic to a life sentence on the prison island known as **The Devil's Gulag**. While on route, the vehicle carrying Sonic and one other Freedom Fighter traitor was shot down, providing Sonic with a means to **escape** and attempt to **clear his name**.

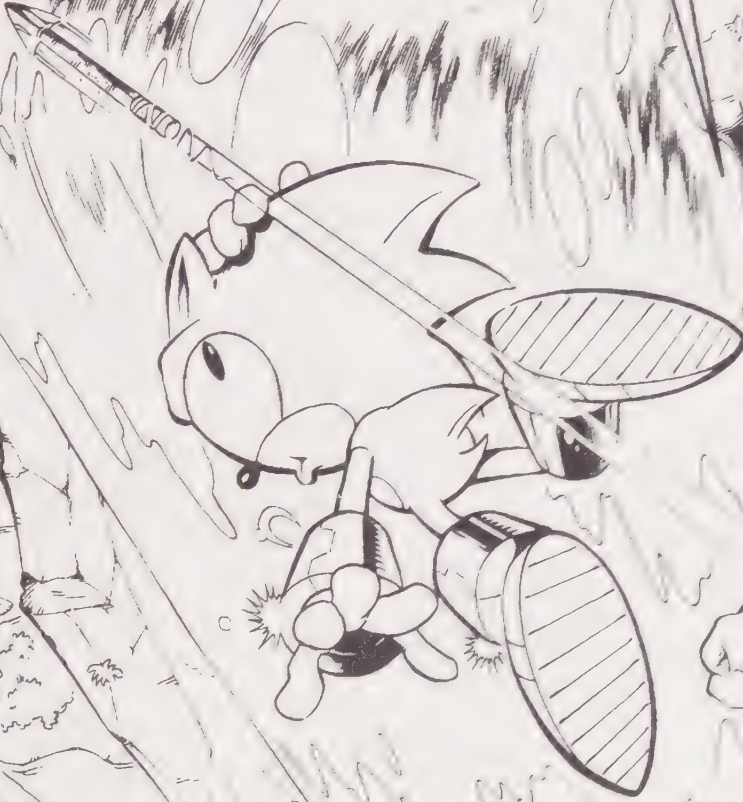
Outraged, King Acorn dispatched his most capable warrior, **Geoffrey St. John**, to hunt down the hedgehog at all costs.

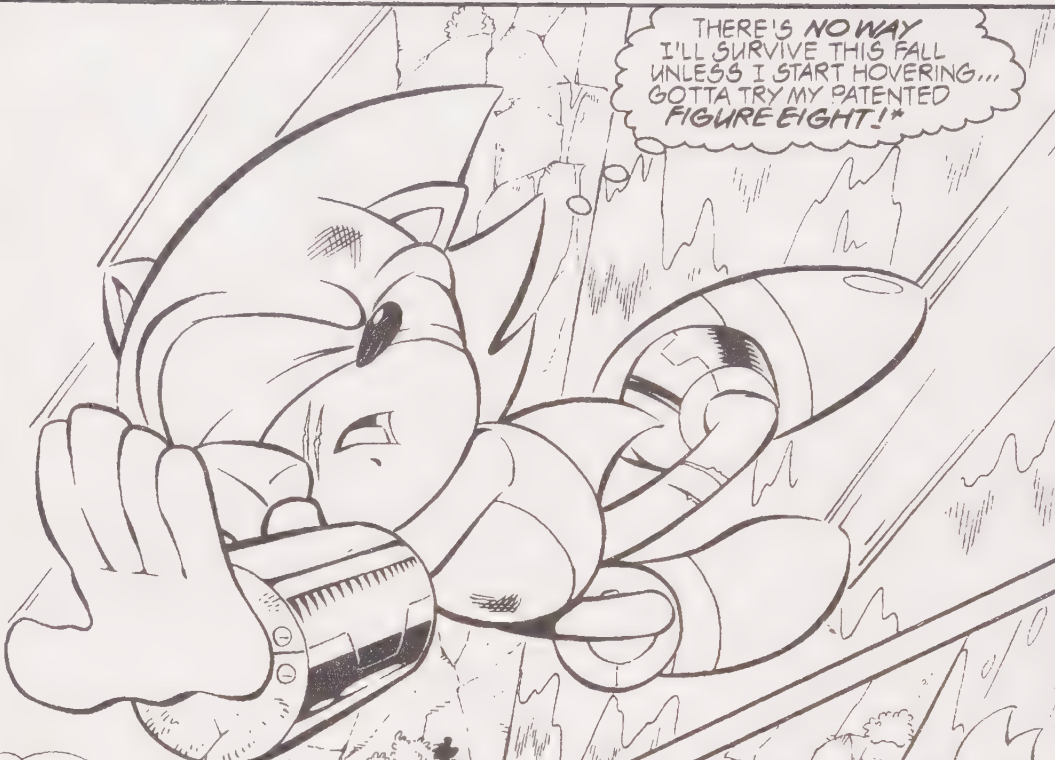
Accompanied by his lieutenants and a couple of **Tasmanian Devil Dogs**, St. John was soon hot on the trail, following the elusive hedgehog deep into the caverns near the crash site.

Unbeknownst to St. John or any of The Freedom Fighters, Robotnik unleashed a massive plan of treachery and deceit. It left everyone to wonder whose side anyone was on, especially when their beloved King Acorn delivered them into the hands of their greatest enemy.

While The Freedom Fighters struggle with their predicament, Sonic has been cornered right into the thunderous mouth of **Angora Falls**, without any option in sight ...

YOU DIRTY
TRAITOR! YOU DESERVE
THIS AFTER WHAT YOU
DID TO MY BELOVED
SALLY!



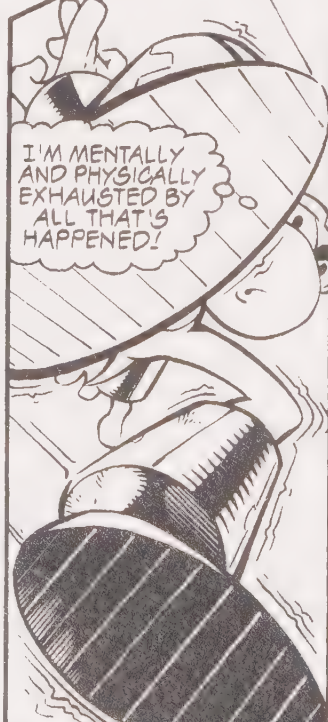


THERE'S NO WAY
I'LL SURVIVE THIS FALL
UNLESS I START HOVERING...
GOTTA TRY MY PATENTED
FIGURE EIGHT!*

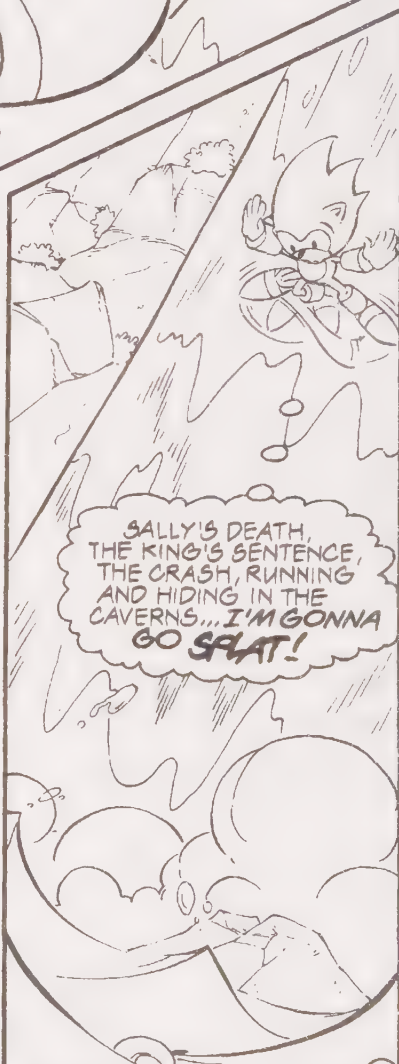
*FIRST SEEN IN THE
CLASSIC 5TH# 25.
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Ouch!
MY LEGS ARE
CRAMPING
UP!



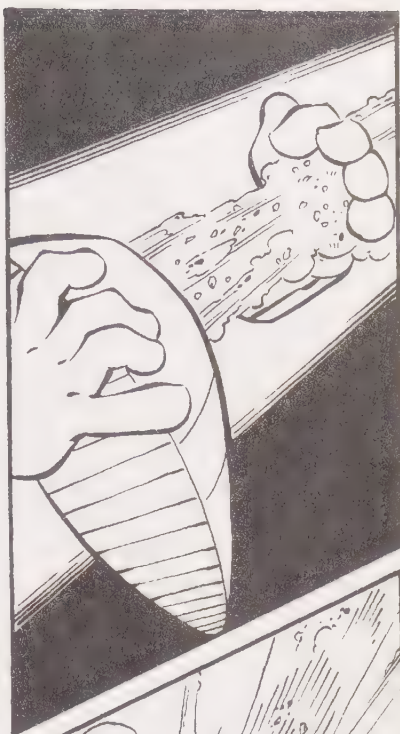
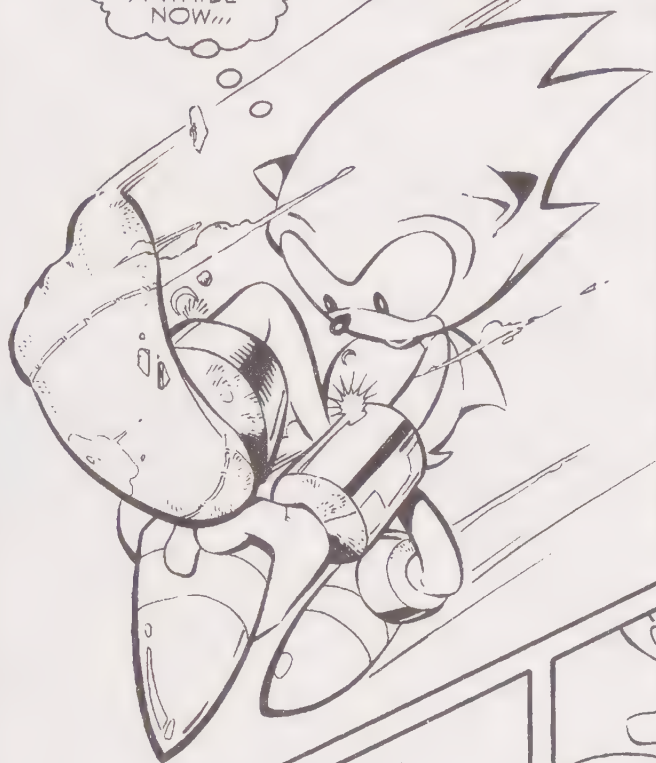
I'M MENTALLY
AND PHYSICALLY
EXHAUSTED BY
ALL THAT'S
HAPPENED!



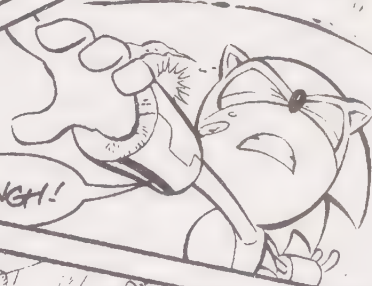
SALLY'S DEATH,
THE KING'S SENTENCE,
THE CRASH, RUNNING
AND HIDING IN THE
CAVERNS... I'M GONNA
GO SPLAT!

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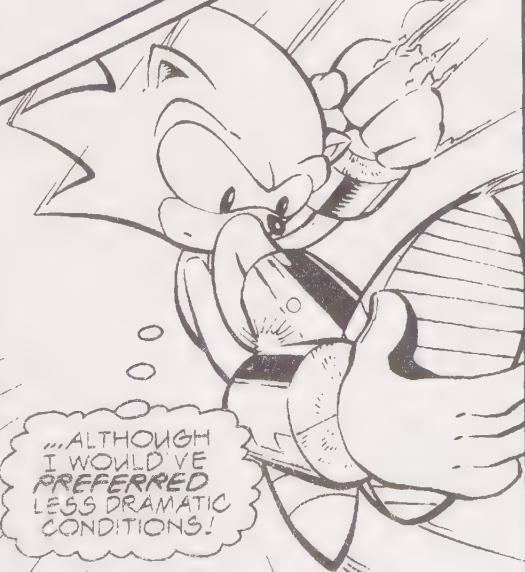
I'VE BEEN
MEANING TO
TRY THIS
TRICK FOR
A WHILE
NOW...



UNNGH!



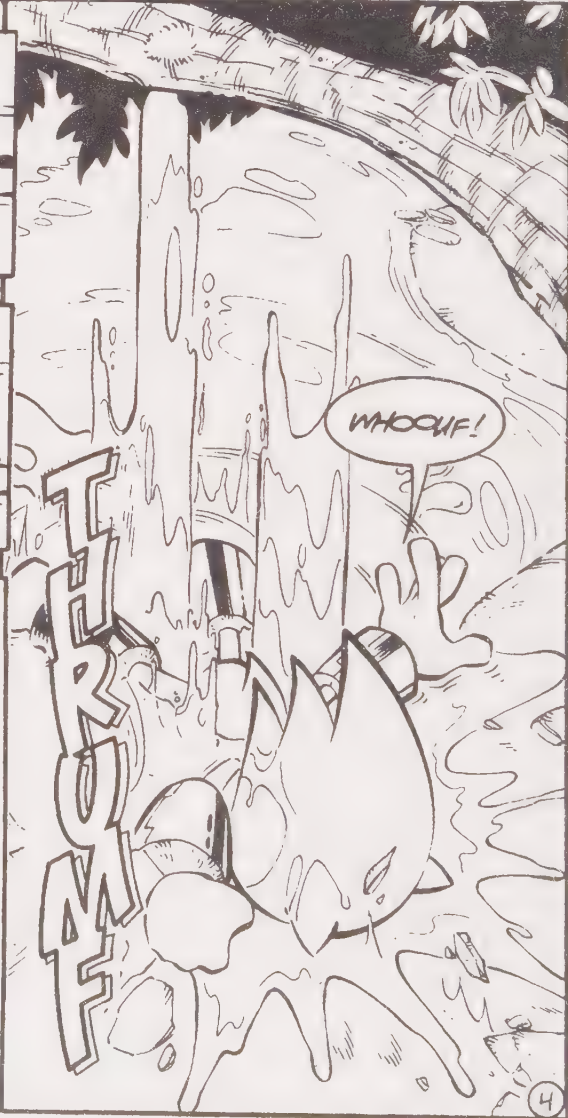
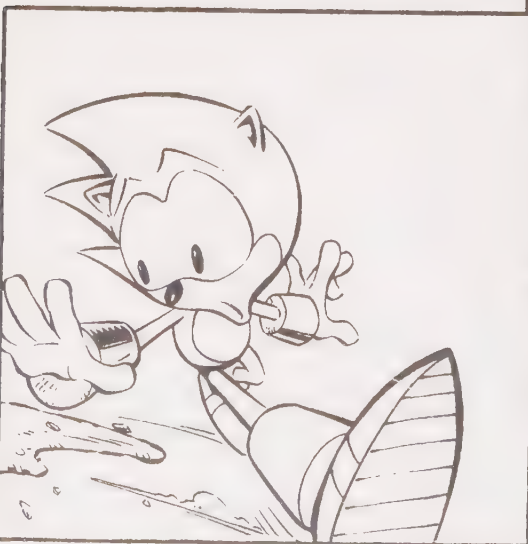
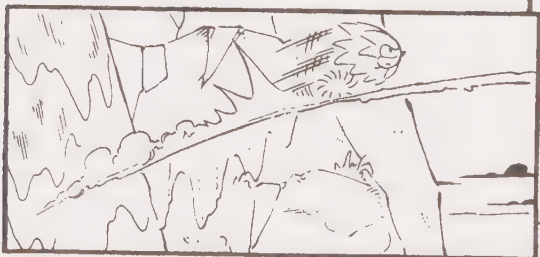
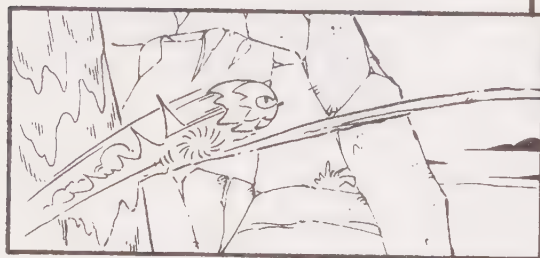
...ALTHOUGH
I WOULD'VE
PREFERRED
LESS DRAMATIC
CONDITIONS!

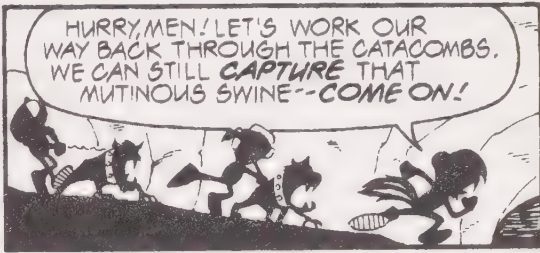
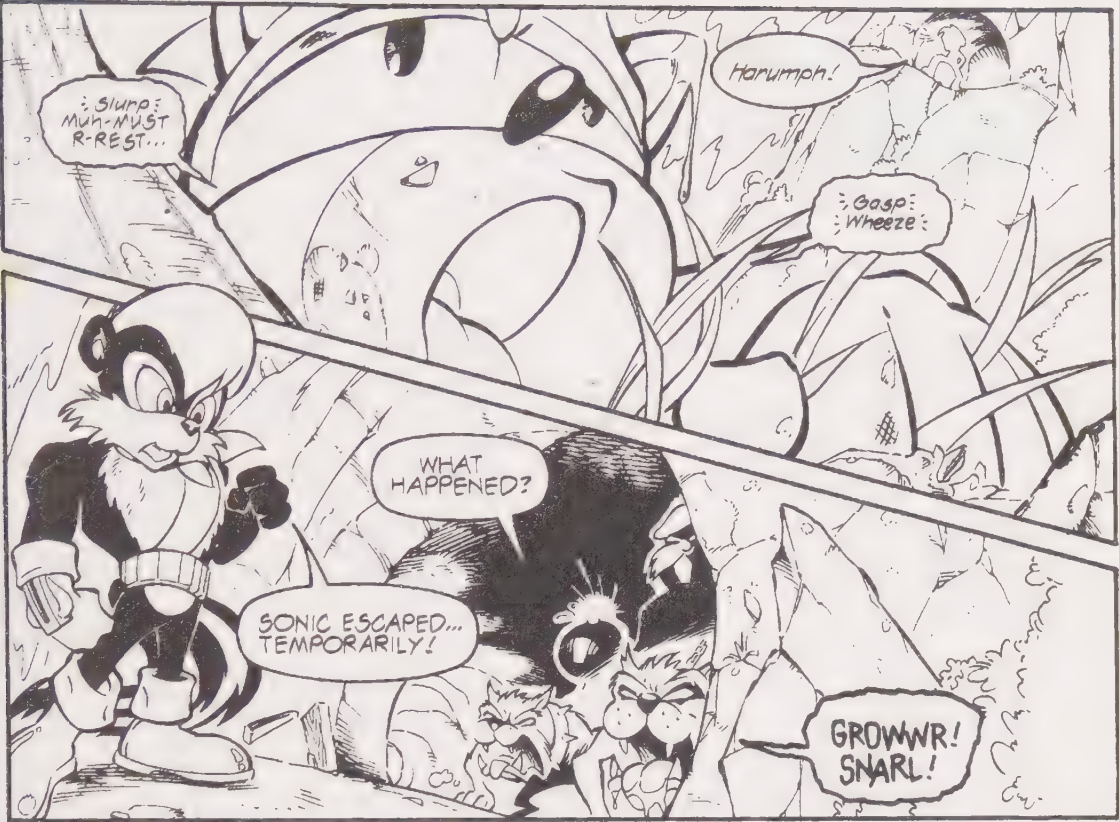


HERE WE
GO--I SURE
HOPE TH'S
WORKS!



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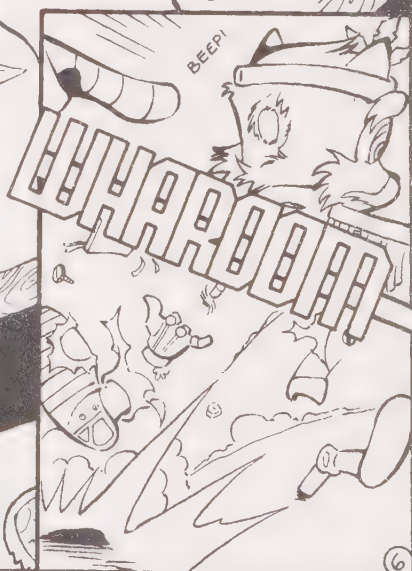
--"KNOTHOLE!"

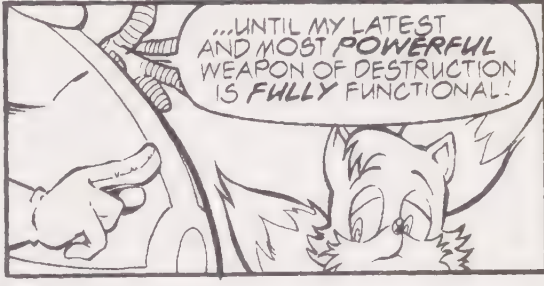
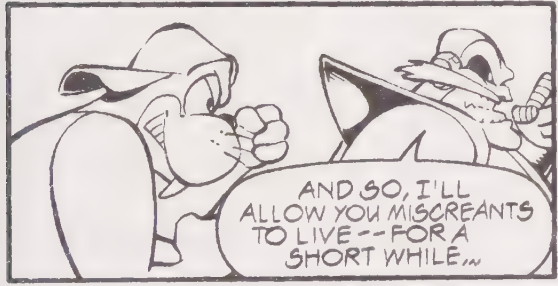
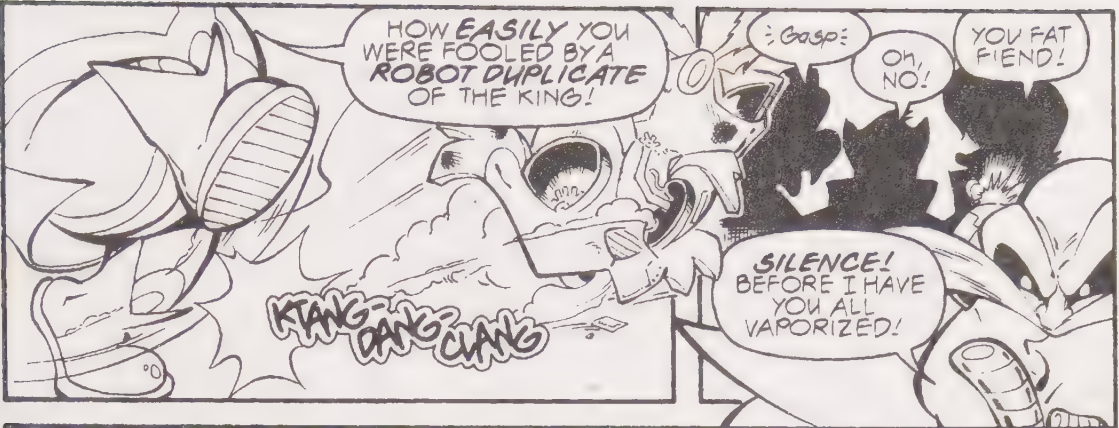
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

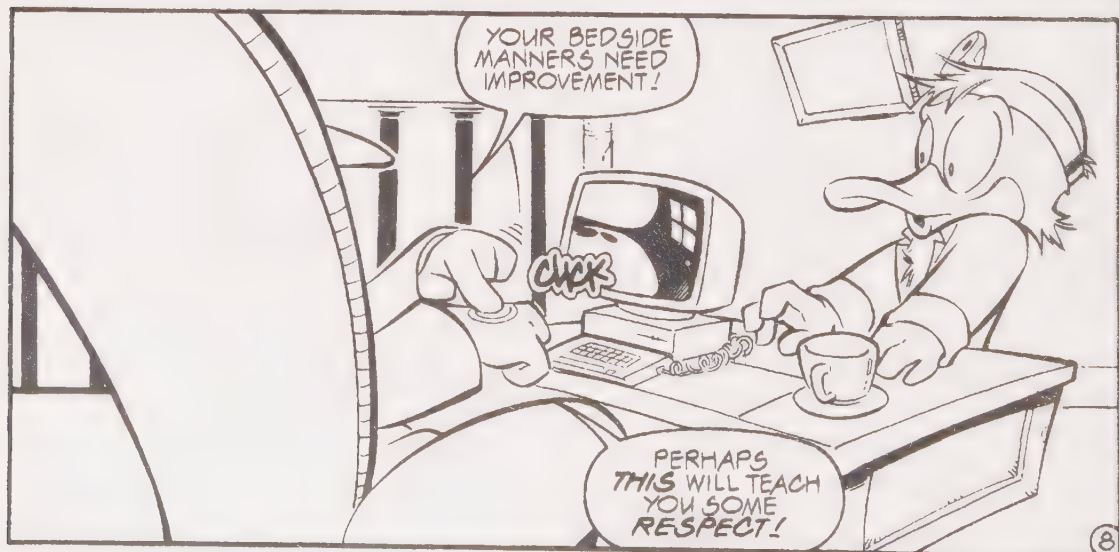
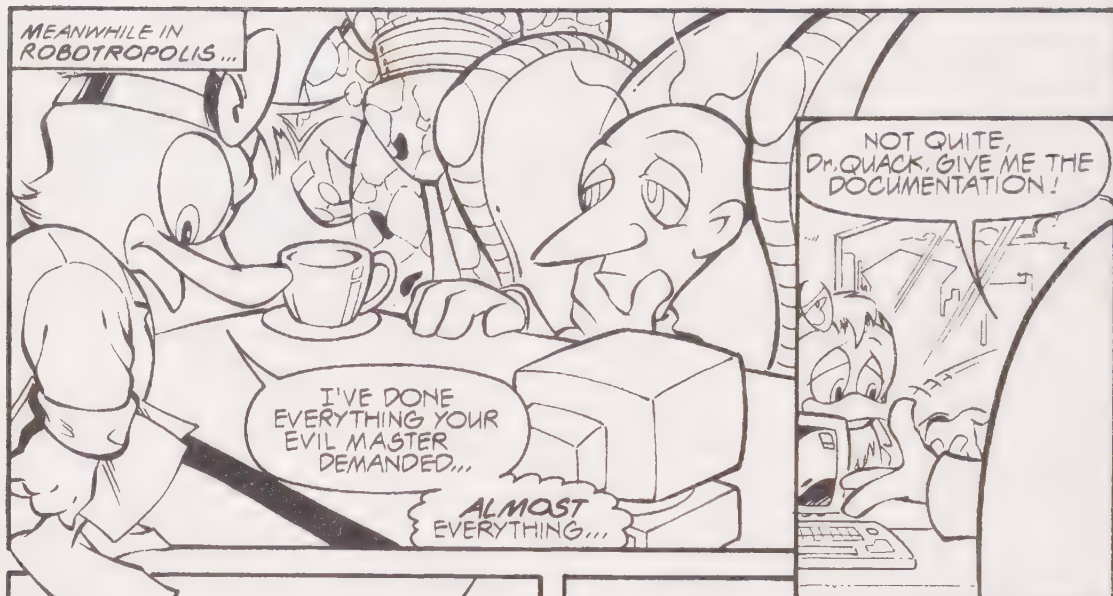
HAS INDEED BETRAYED
YOU!

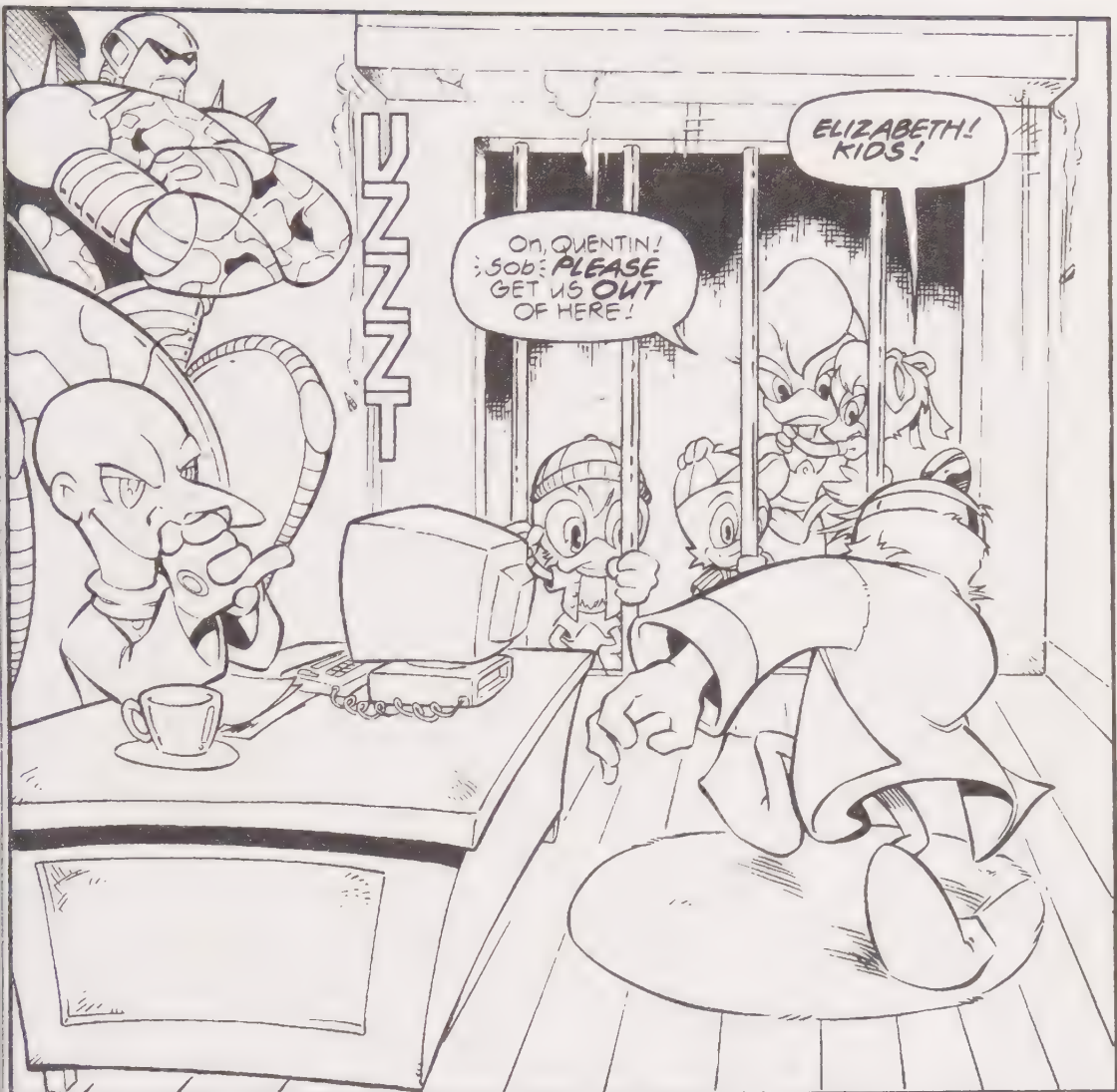
BUT DESPITE
WHAT YOU'RE ALL
THINKING, KING
ACORN *HAS*
NOT!

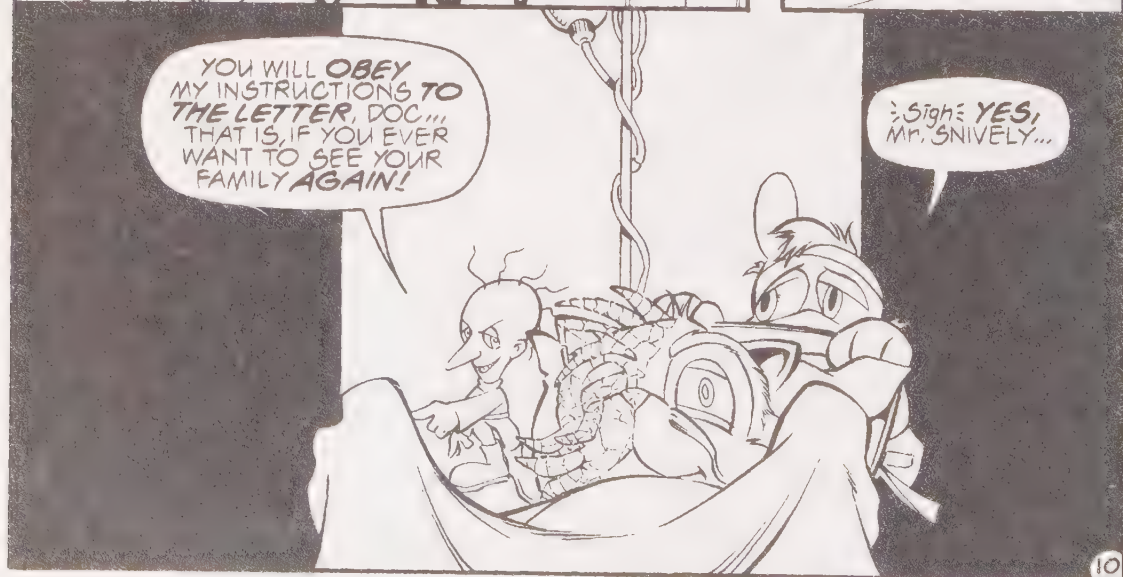
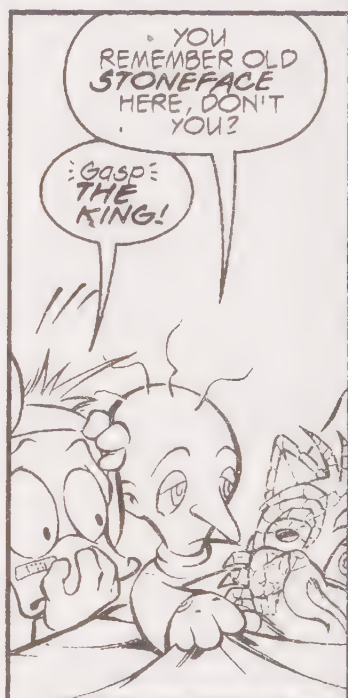
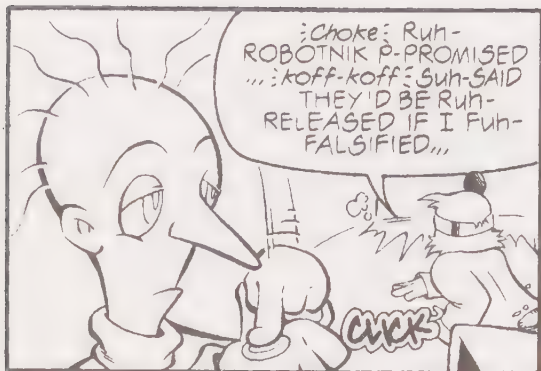
FOR *THIS* IS
ANYTHING *BUT*
YOUR BELOVED
SOVEREIGN...

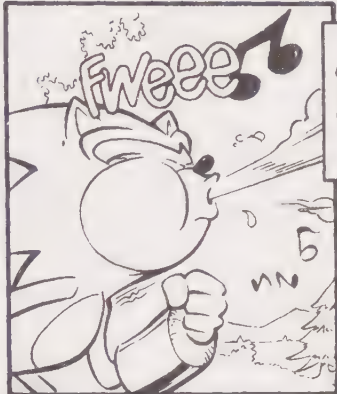
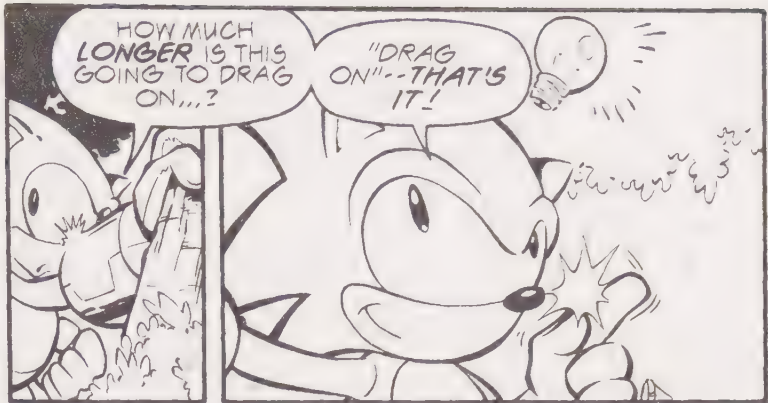
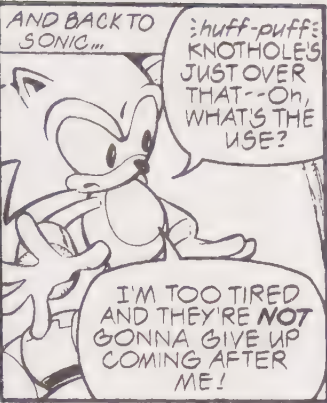






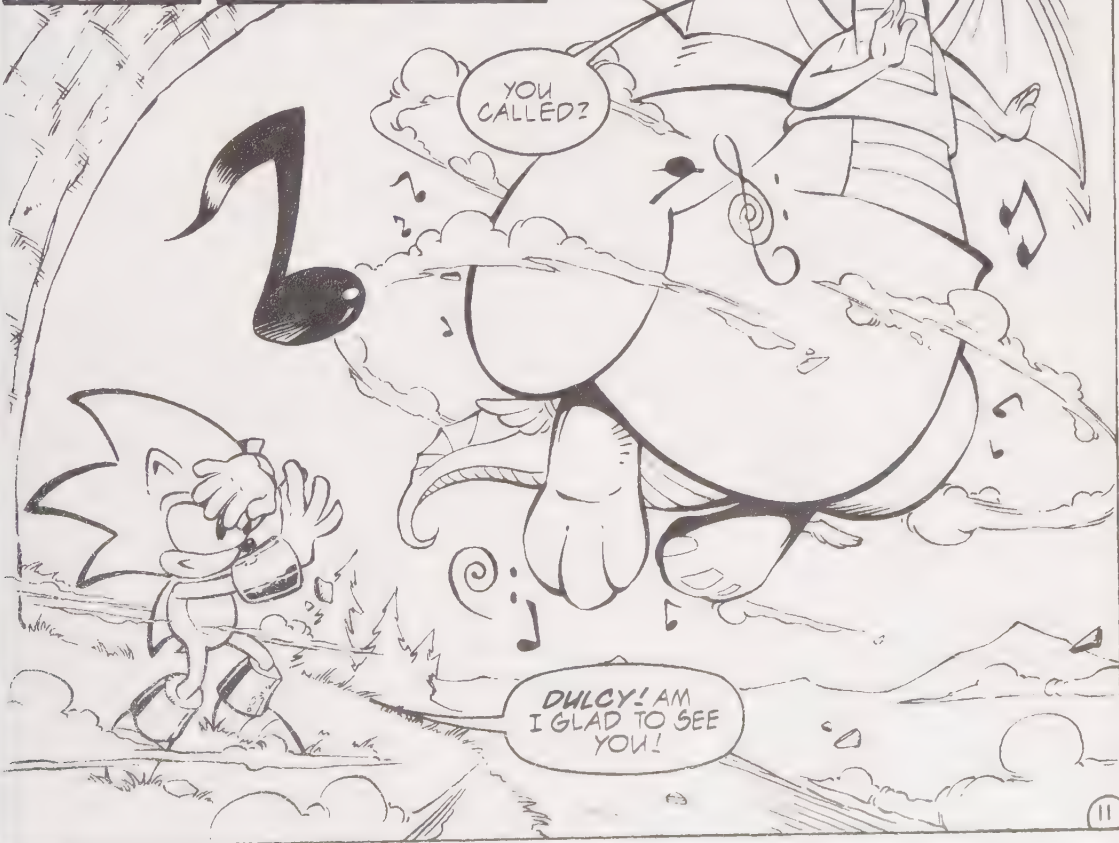


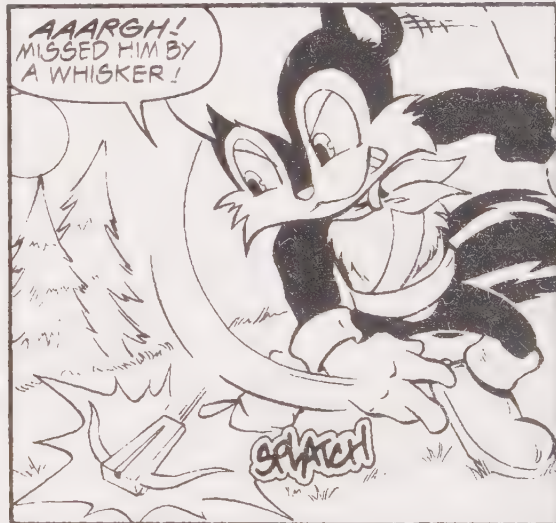
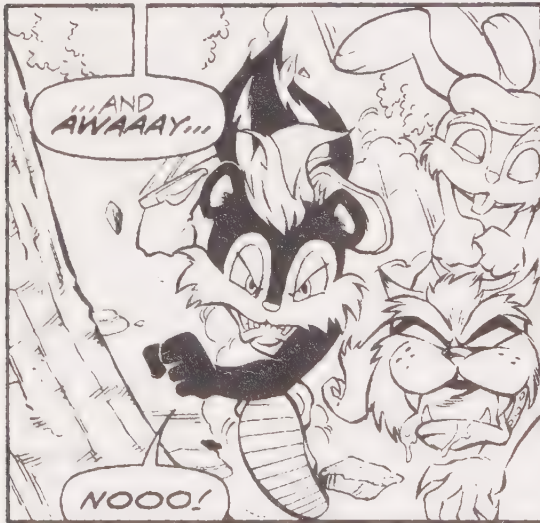




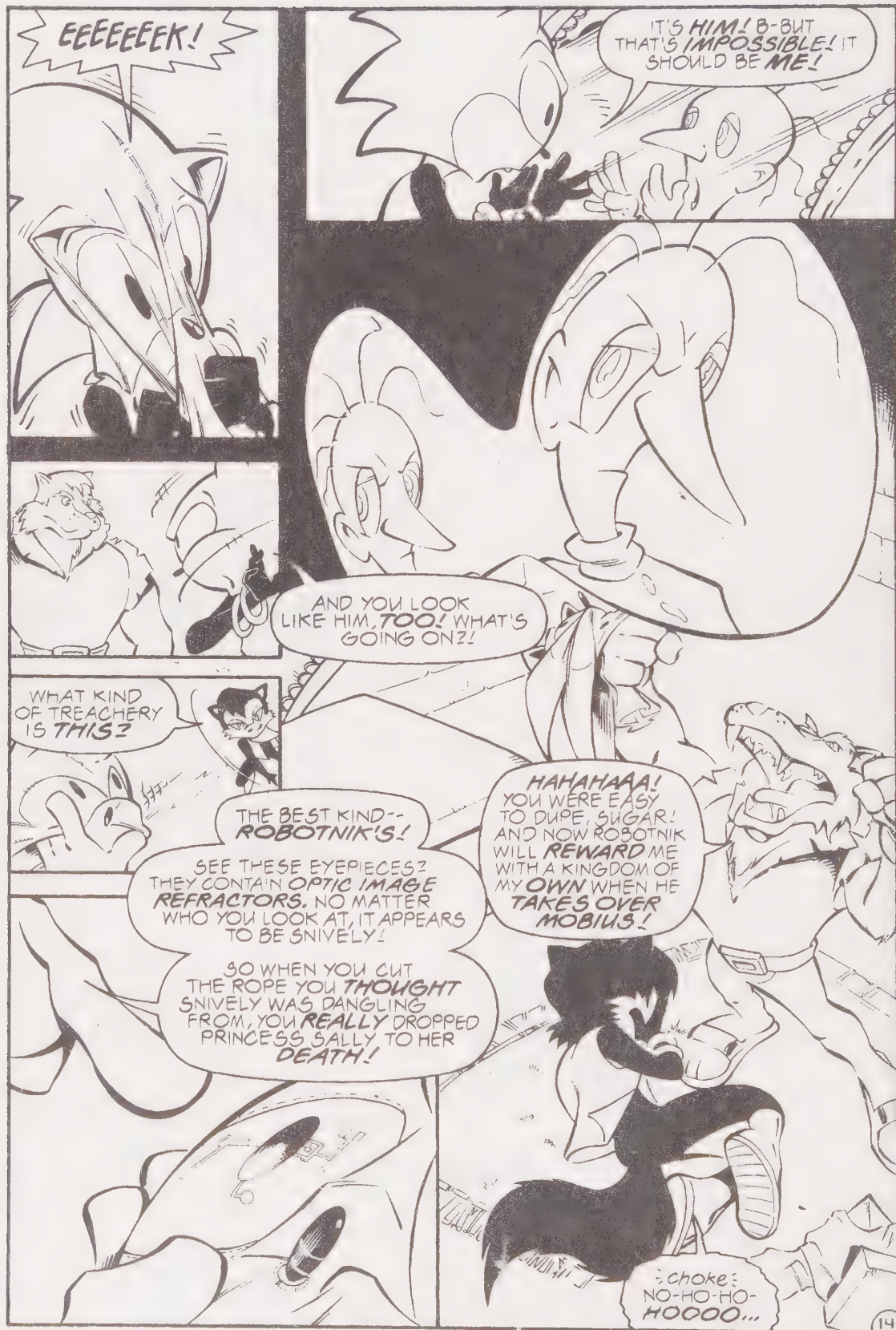
VIBRATING HIS VOCAL CHORDS AT A SPEED UNATTAINABLE BY ANY OTHER LIVING CREATURE, SONIC EMITS A HIGH-PITCHED WHISTLE--

ONE THAT CAN ONLY BE HEARD BY...



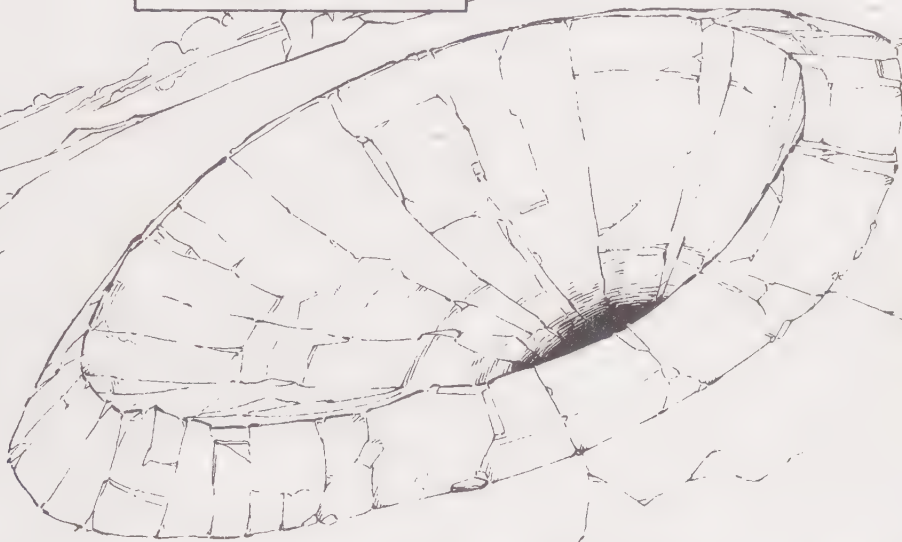






HALFWAY AROUND
THE WORLD, ANOTHER
DRAMA IS ABOUT TO
UNFOLD.

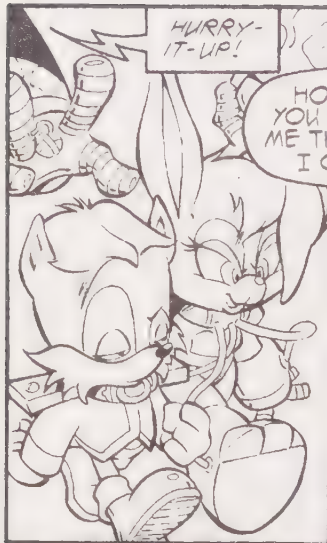
A LEGENDARY CRATER
SCARS THE ANCIENT
PRISTINE LANDSCAPE
OF THE LAND KNOWN
AS... **DOWNUNDA!**



ONCE HOME TO A
MYSTICAL SHAMAN,
THE GIANT CAVITY
NOW SERVES A
VASTLY DIFFERENT
PURPOSE.

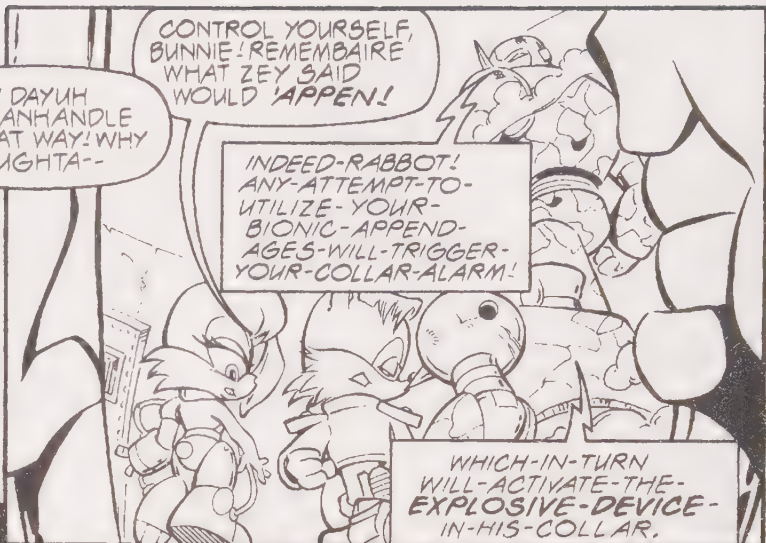
ONE THAT REEKS
OF SUFFERING,
DESPAIR AND
PALPABLE
MALEVOLENCE!

MOVE--
QUICKLY!



HURRY-
IT-UP!

HOW DAYUH
YOU MANHANDLE
ME THAT WAY! WHY
I OUGHTA--



CONTROL YOURSELF,
BUNNIE! REMEMBAIRE
WHAT ZEY SAID
WOULD 'APPEN!

INDEED-RABBOT!
ANY-ATTEMPT-TO-
UTILIZE-YOUR-
BIONIC-APPEND-
AGES-WILL-TRIGGER-
YOUR-COLLAR-ALARM!

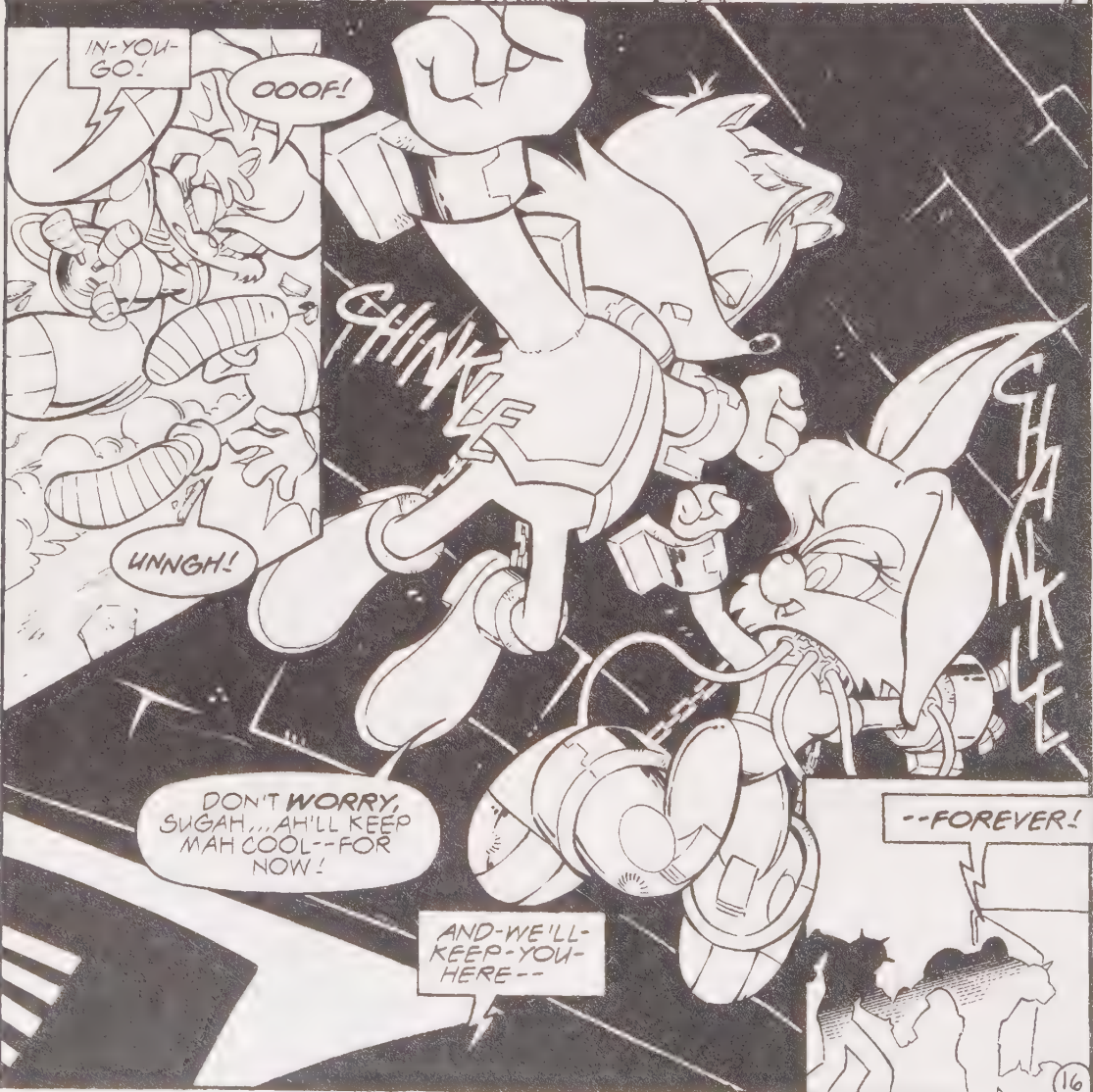
WHICH-IN-TURN
WILL-ACTIVATE-THE-
EXPLOSIVE-DEVICE-
IN-HIS-COLLAR.



IN-YOU-
GO!

OOOF!

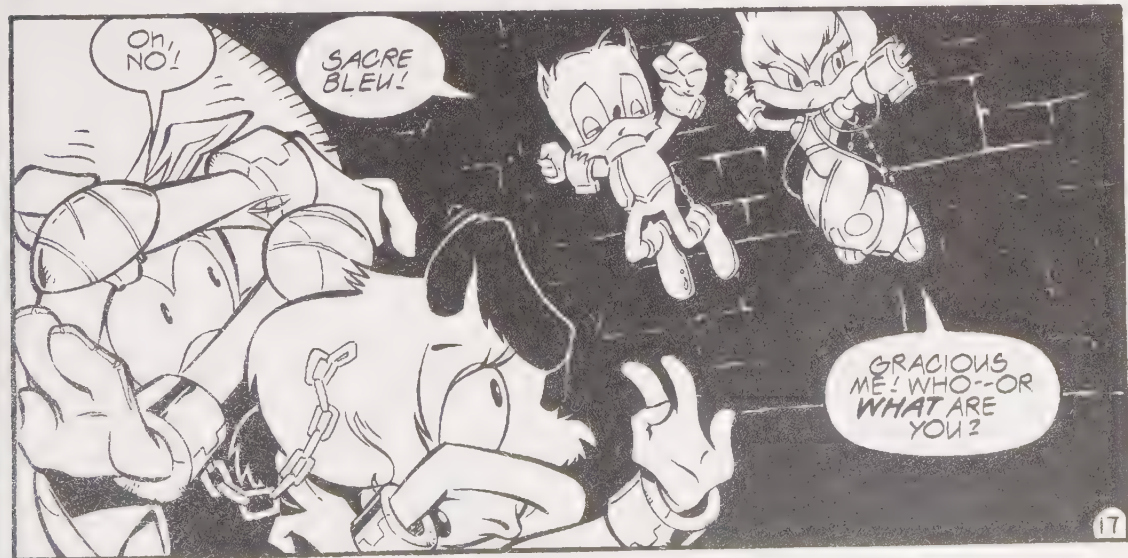
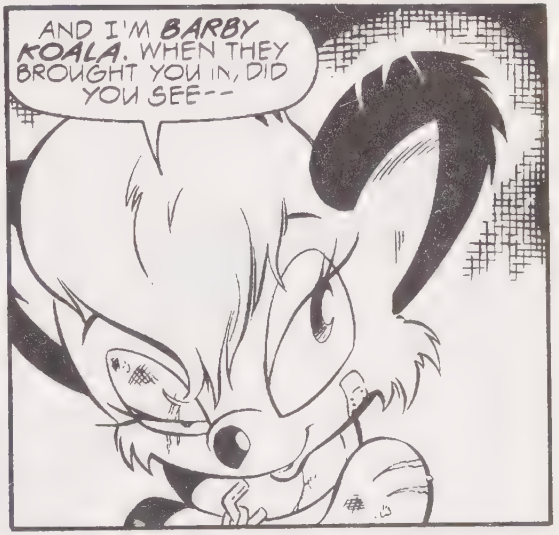
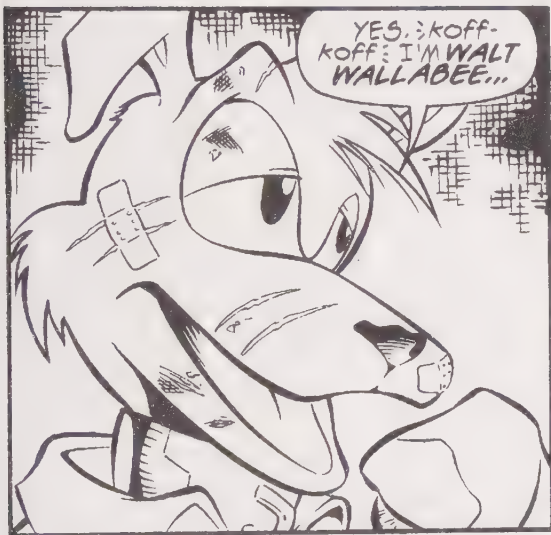
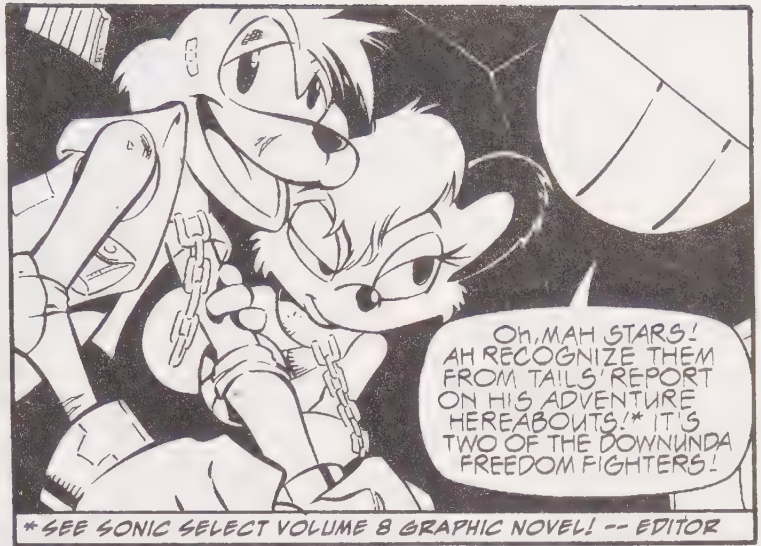
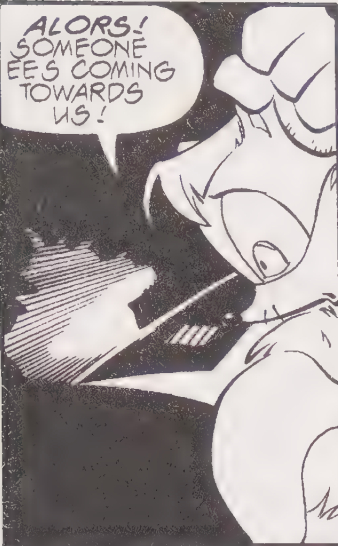
WNNGH!

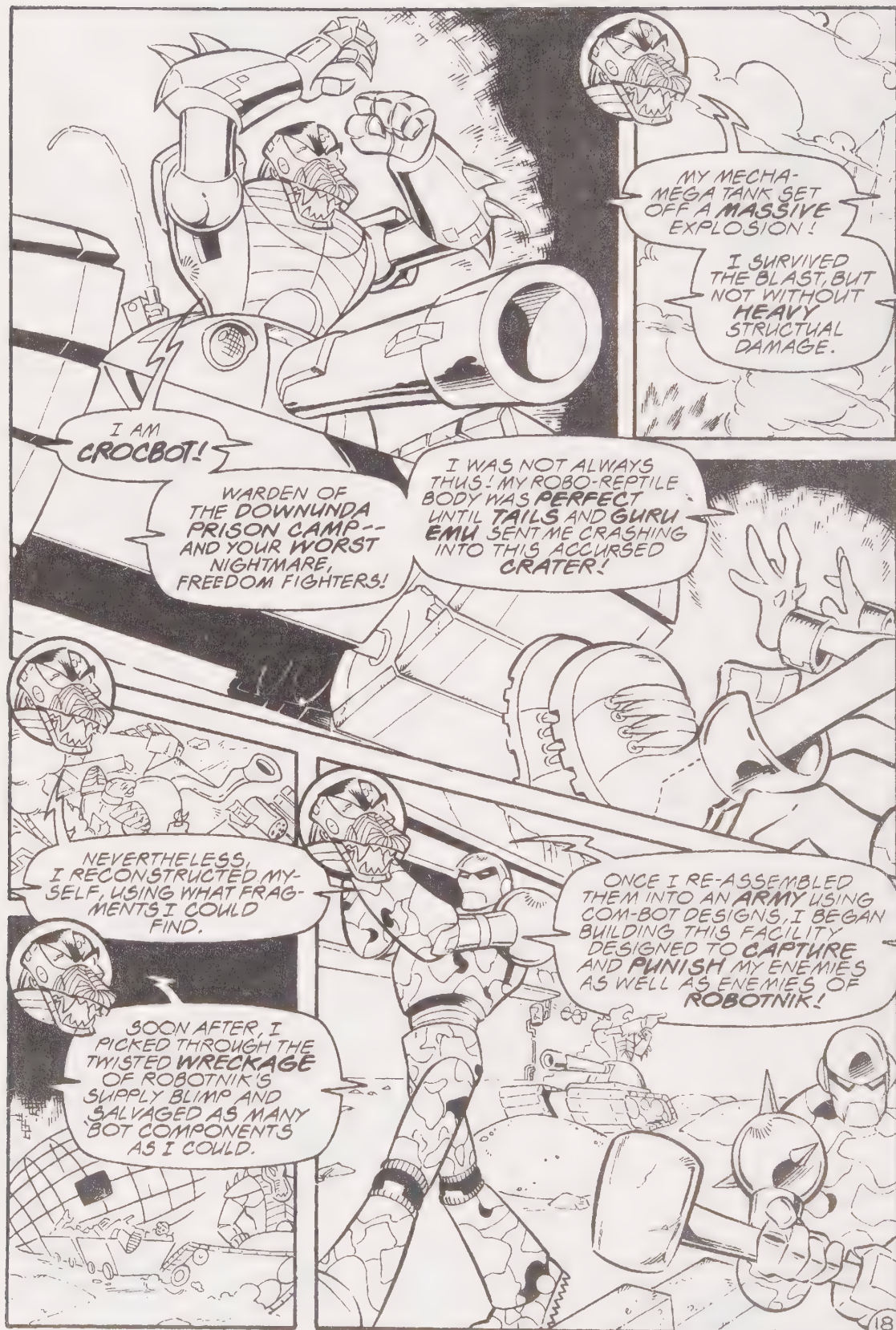


DON'T WORRY,
SUGAH,,,AH'LL KEEP
MAH COOL--FOR
NOW!

AND-WE'LL-
KEEP-YOU-
HERE--

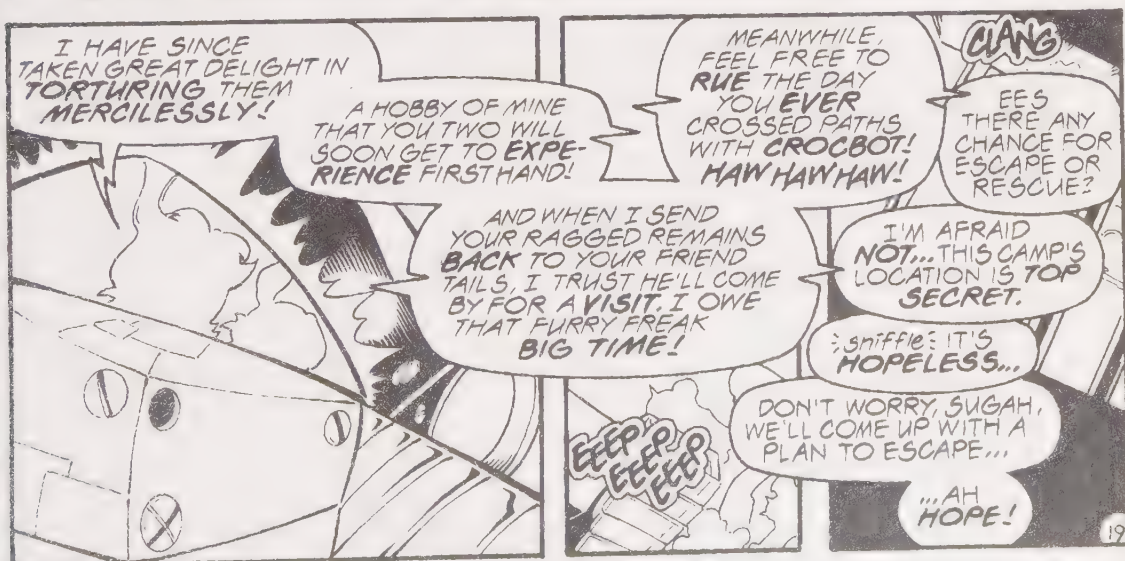
--FOREVER!







AT THE TOP OF MY LIST WERE THE DOWNUNDA FREEDOM FIGHTERS, WHOM WE SUCCESSFULLY AM-BUSHED AND CAPTURED!



I HAVE SINCE TAKEN GREAT DELIGHT IN TORTURING THEM MERCILESSLY!

A HOBBY OF MINE THAT YOU TWO WILL SOON GET TO EXPERIENCE FIRSTHAND!

MEANWHILE, FEEL FREE TO RUE THE DAY YOU EVER CROSSED PATHS WITH CROCBOT! HAW HAW HAW!

AND WHEN I SEND YOUR RAGGED REMAINS BACK TO YOUR FRIEND TAILS, I TRUST HE'LL COME BY FOR A VISIT. I OWE THAT FURRY FREAK BIG TIME!

CIANG

EES THERE ANY CHANCE FOR ESCAPE OR RESCUE?

I'M AFRAID NOT... THIS CAMP'S LOCATION IS TOP SECRET.

...sniffle... IT'S HOPELESS...

DON'T WORRY, SUGAH, WE'LL COME UP WITH A PLAN TO ESCAPE...

...AH HOPE!

EEEP EEEP EEEP



WE'RE ALMOST THERE,
SONIC... TIME TO RISE
AND SHINE!

Hmmmm--
JUZ GIMME TWO
MORMINUTZZZ...

THERE IT IS--
THE **FLOATING
ISLAND!** HOPE
WE GET A BETTER
WELCOME THAN
LAST TIME!*

*DULCY'S TALKING
ABOUT SONIC SELECT
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Huh?
WHAT
THE--?!

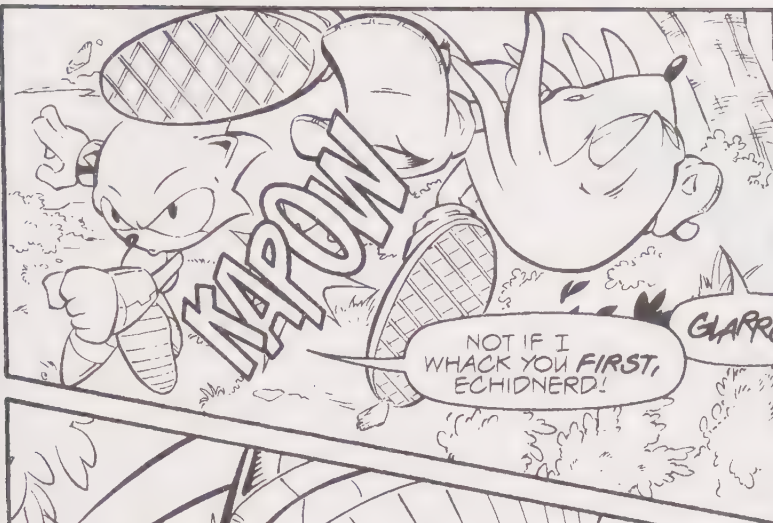
**NO ONE VISITS THIS
ISLAND WITHOUT THE
EXPRESS WRITTEN CON-
SENT OF ITS GUARDIAN,
KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA!**



UGGGH!

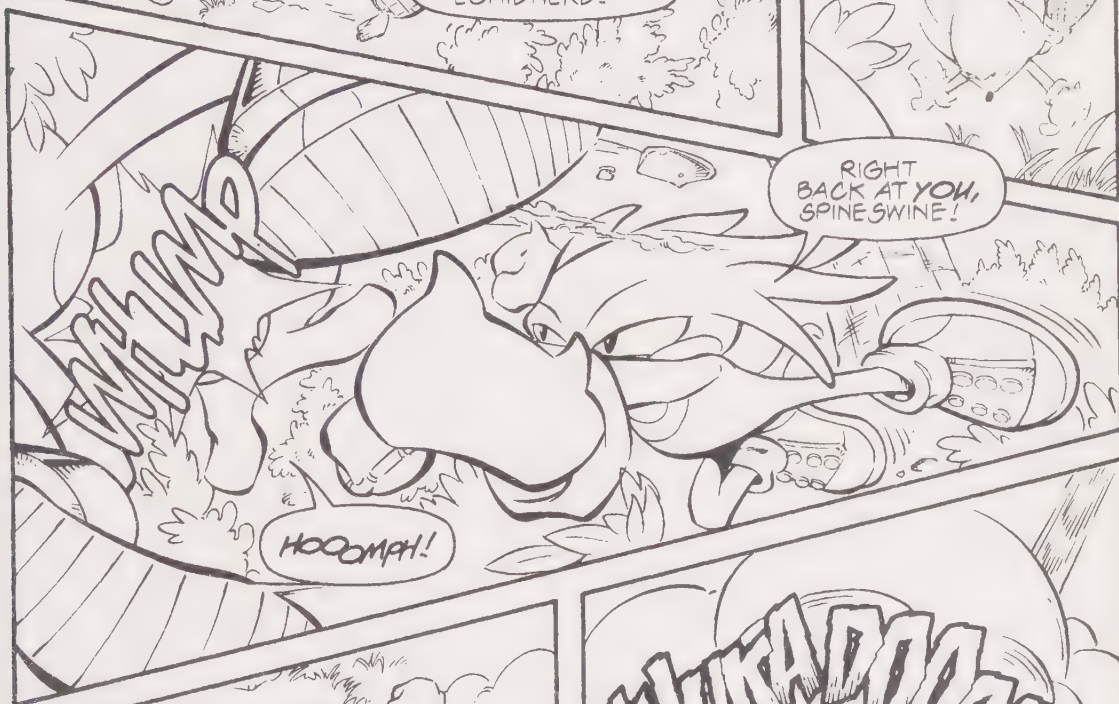
I MIGHT'VE KNOWN YOU'D **ATTACK**
THE SWEETEST, MOST GENTLE CREATURE
ON THE PLANET FOR **NO REASON**, BRAIN-
DEAD REDHEAD!

Oh, YEAH--?
WELL, YOU'RE
NEXT!



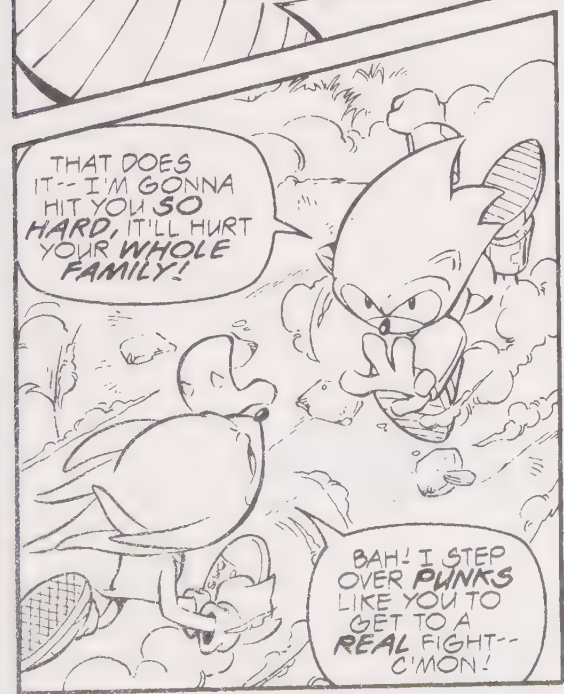
NOT IF I WHACK YOU **FIRST**, ECHIDNERD!

GLARRG!



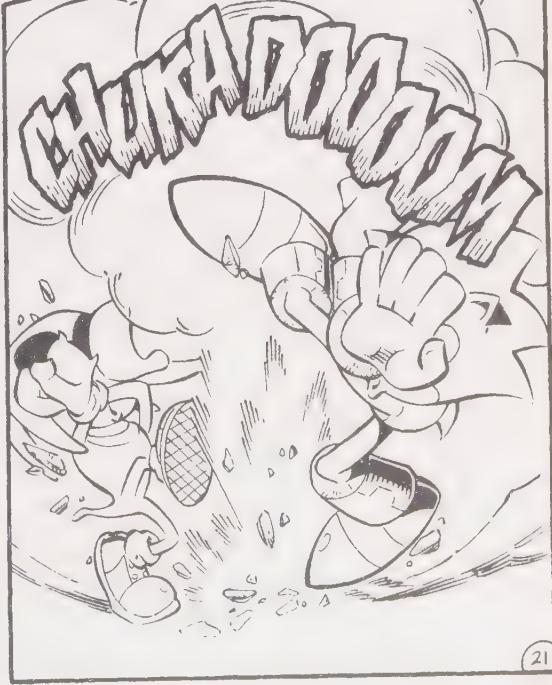
RIGHT BACK AT YOU, SPINESWINE!

HOOOMPH!



THAT DOES IT-- I'M GONNA HIT YOU **SO HARD**, IT'LL HURT YOUR **WHOLE FAMILY**!

BAH! I STEP OVER **PUNKS** LIKE YOU TO GET TO A **REAL FIGHT**-- C'MON!



ESCAPE From The FLOATING ISLAND

BACK OFF, KNUCKLES!
IF ANYONE'S TAKING THE
HEDGEHOG DOWN, IT'LL
BE ME!

FASTEN YOUR SEAT BELTS,
HOLD ON TO YOUR HATS
AND PLACE YOUR BETS! IT'S
THE ULTIMATE THREE-WAY
BATTLE OF THE SEGA
CENTURY!

WHO'S GOING TO FIGHT
WHO? WILL ANY TWO
COMBATANTS JOIN FORCES
AGAINST THE OTHER?

AND DOES ANYONE KNOW
OR CARE THAT THE FATE
OF AN ENTIRE PLANET
HANGS BY A THREAD?

TO BE CONCLUDED IN
THE ACTION-PACKED,
PULSE-POUNDING,
NOT-TO-BE-BELIEVED
(OR MISSED)

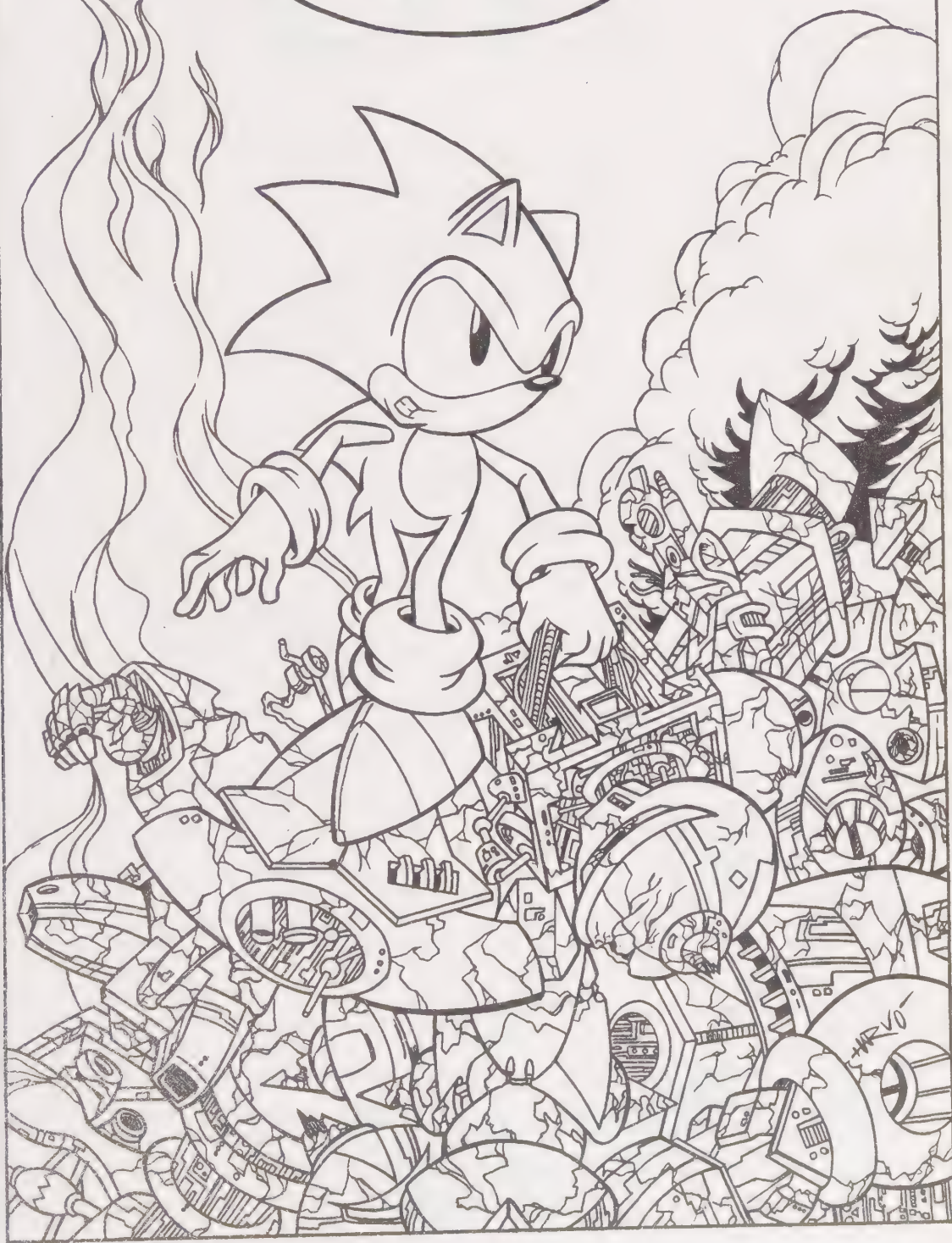
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WHO--?

ST. JOHN!

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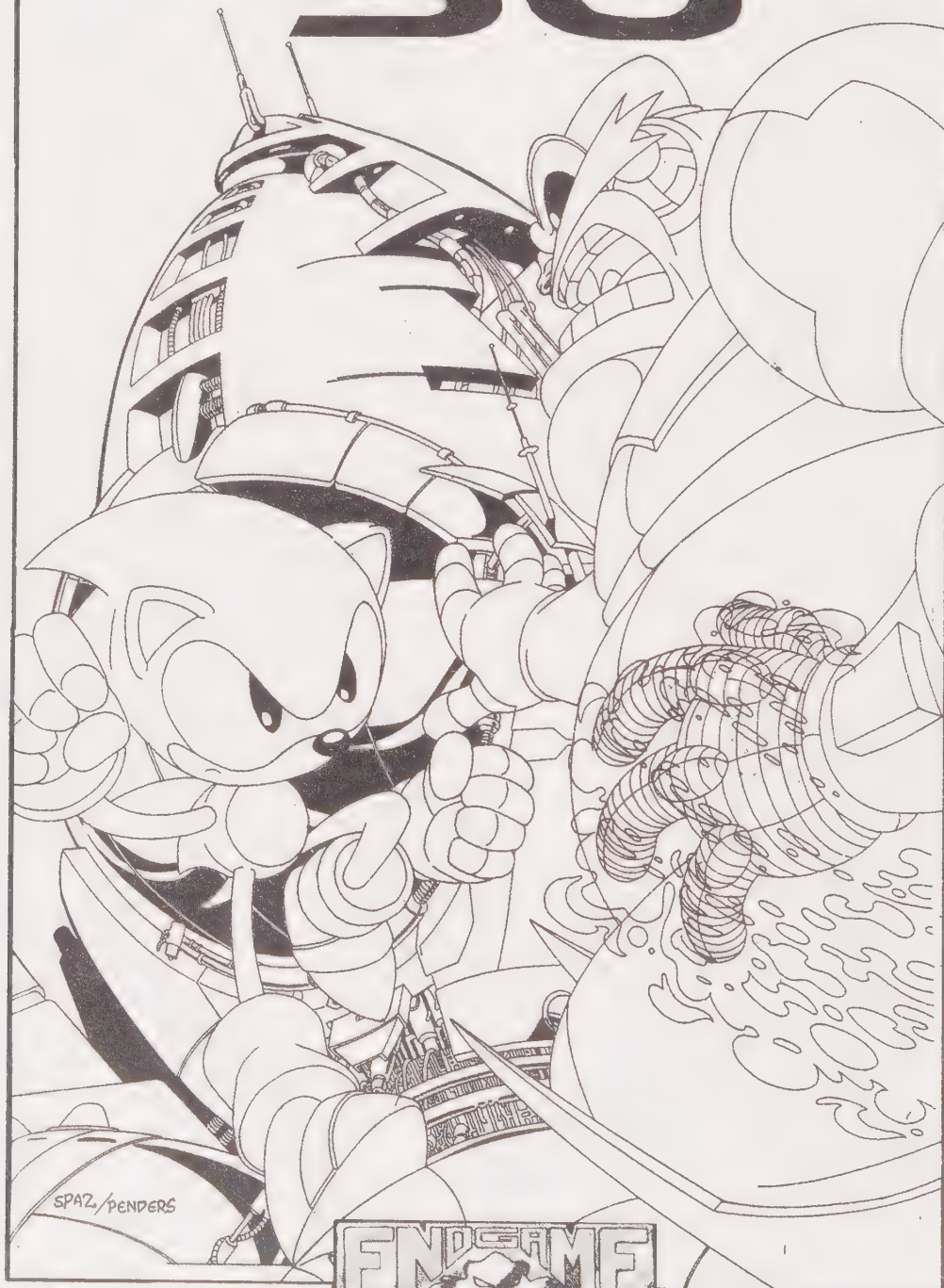
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In the year **3285**, the ambitions of one being have affected the lives of **Sonic The Hedgehog**, his friends and all who dwell upon the planet **Mobius**.
Up until now, the battle had been fought by a code of honor adhered to by the many, despite the treachery of the one.

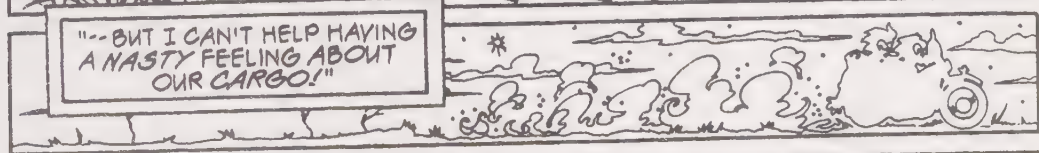
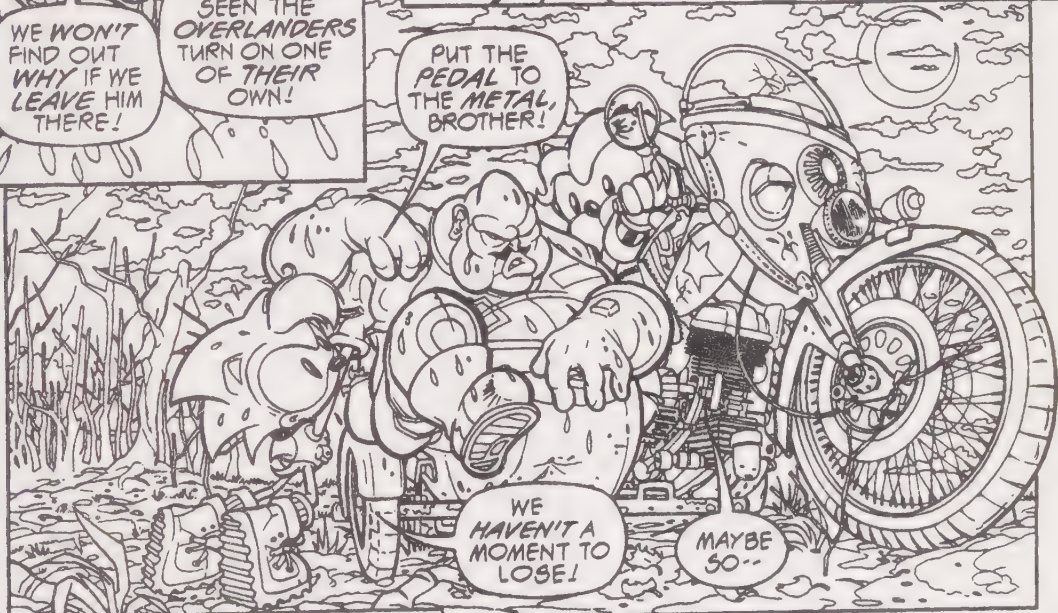
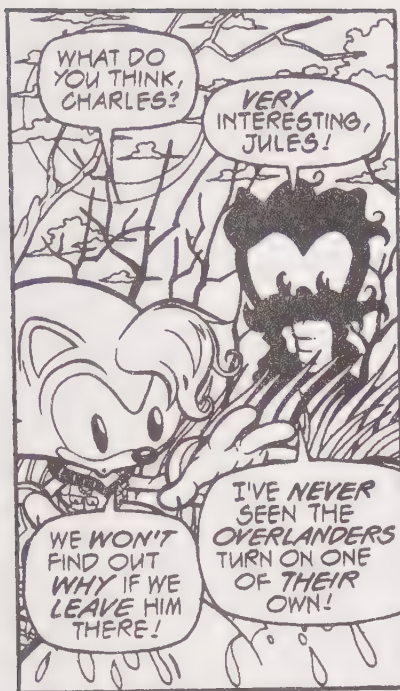
But that was then. This is now.

Having lost his beloved by means most foul and framed for her apparent murder, Sonic now finds himself fighting for redemption against friend and foe alike, attempting to prove his innocence and ferret out the real villains in the process.

After surviving a crash landing on his way to the **Devil's Gulag**, a relentless pursuit by **Geoffrey St. John** and his crack troops, eventually making his way to **The Floating Island** with the assistance of the gentle dragon **Duley**.
Sonic has come seeking the help of its guardian, **Knuckles The Echidna**.

Now, as the players assemble for the final act, they will all discover there is nothing more dangerous than a hedgehog with a cause...





"--IT SEEMS YOU'RE THE LOGICAL CHOICE
TO LEAD THE TROOPS, WARLORD JULIAN!"

AT MY
COMMAND--

THIS IS
INSANE, JULES!
HIM LEADING
US!

I'M SURE KING
ACORN HAS HIS
REASONS,
CHARLES!

"FOR THE
KINGDOM!"

THE-MONITOR-
READINGS-ARE-
SHOWING-THE-
DOCTOR-MORE-
EXCITED-THAN-
USUAL!

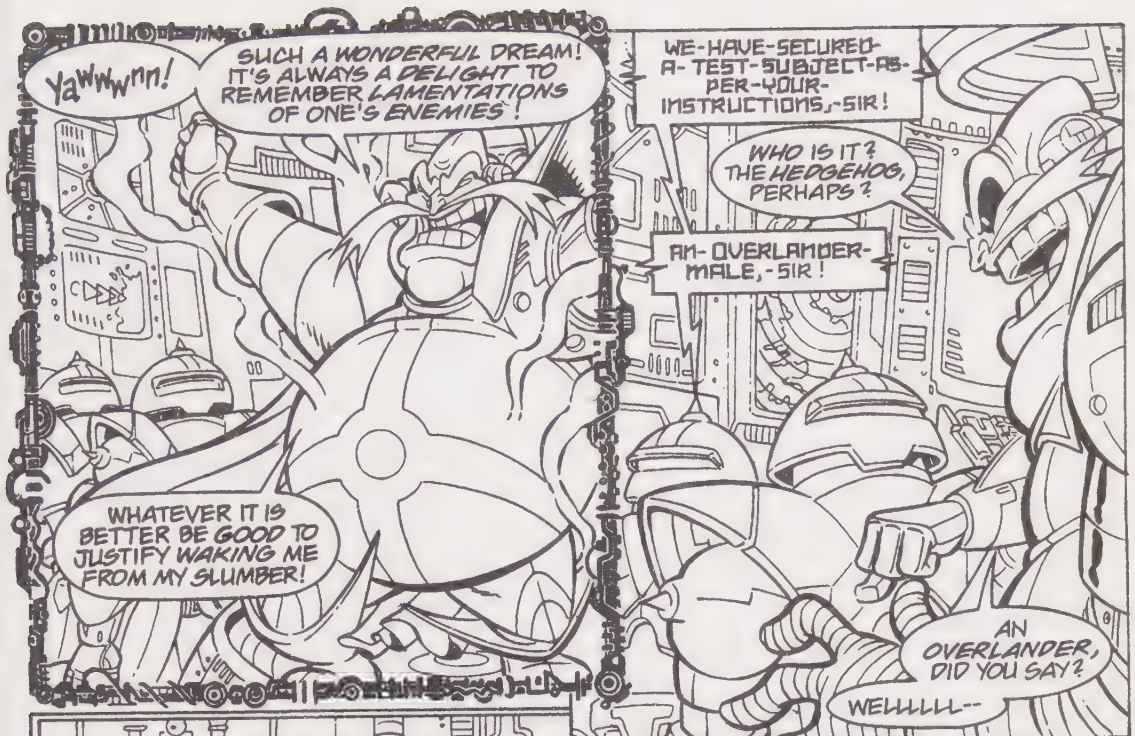
IT-MUST-BE-
A-REALY-GOOD
DREAM!

CRUSH
THEM
ALL!!!

UNFORTUNATELY--

--IT'S-TIME-TO
AWAKEN-HIM. CARE-
TO-DO-THE-
HONORS?

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Yaaaaaah!

SUCH A WONDERFUL DREAM!
IT'S ALWAYS A DELIGHT TO
REMEMBER LAMENTATIONS
OF ONE'S ENEMIES!

WE-HAVE-SECURED-
A-TEST-SUBJECT-AS-
PER-YOUR-
INSTRUCTIONS,-SIR!

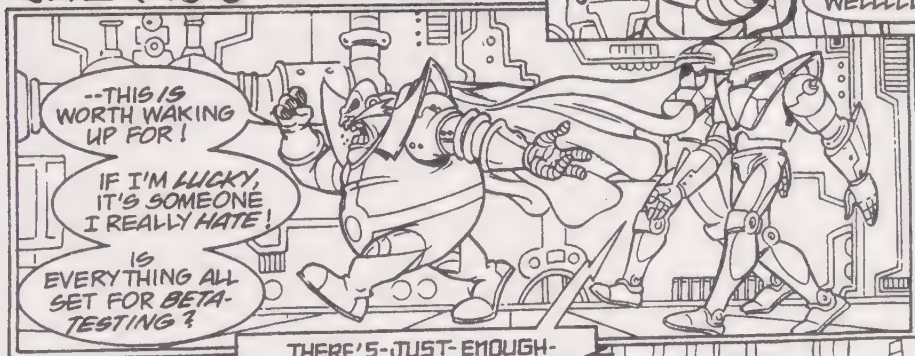
WHO IS IT?
THE HEDGEHOGS,
PERHAPS?

AM-OVERLANDER-
MALE,-SIR!

WHATEVER IT IS
BETTER BE GOOD TO
JUSTIFY WAKING ME
FROM MY SLUMBER!

AN
OVERLANDER,
DID YOU SAY?

WEHLLL--



--THIS IS
WORTH WAKING
UP FOR!

IF I'M LUCKY,
IT'S SOMEONE
I REALLY HATE!

IS
EVERYTHING ALL
SET FOR BETA-
TESTING?

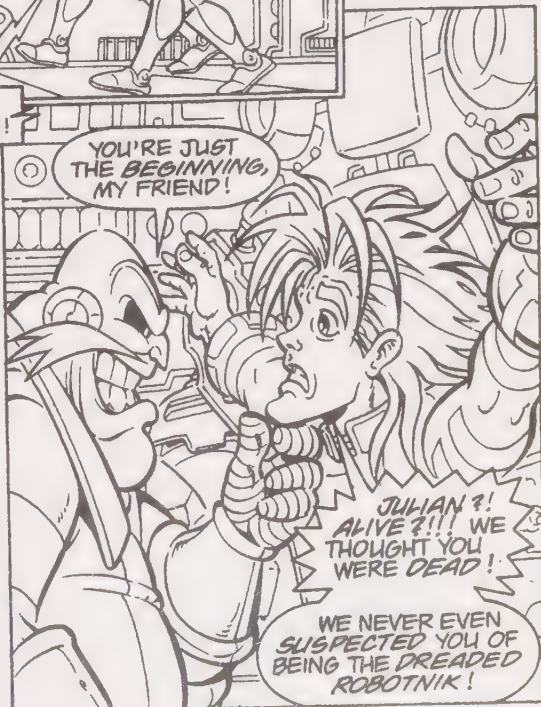
THERE'S JUST ENOUGH-
ENERGY FOR ONE TEST,-SIR!



EXCELLENT!

AND LOOK
OVER THERE--

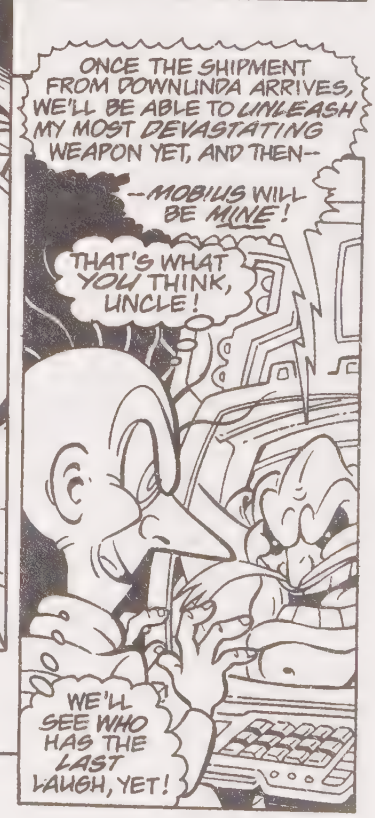
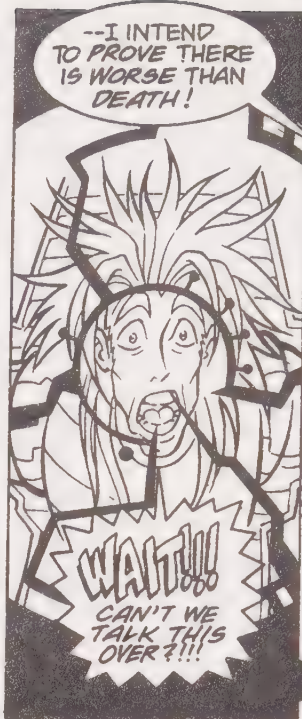
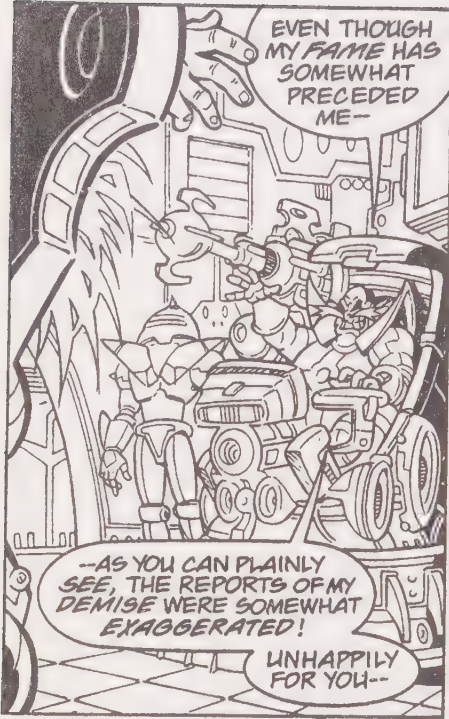
--OUR
VOLUNTEER!



YOU'RE JUST
THE BEGINNING,
MY FRIEND!

JULIAN ?!
ALIVE ?!!! WE
THOUGHT YOU
WERE DEAD!

WE NEVER EVEN
SUSPECTED YOU OF
BEING THE DREADED
ROBOTNIK!



FOR WHOM THE BELL TOLLS!

LISTEN UP, KNUX!
I NEED YOUR HELP TO
CLEAR MY NAME! I'M
BEING FRAMED!

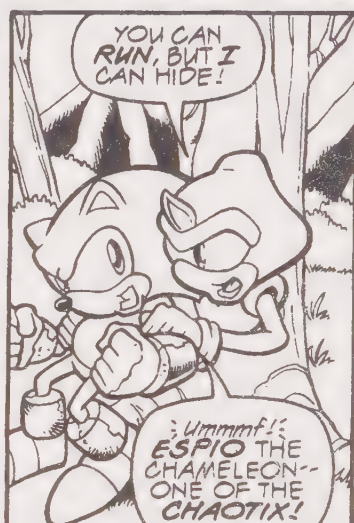
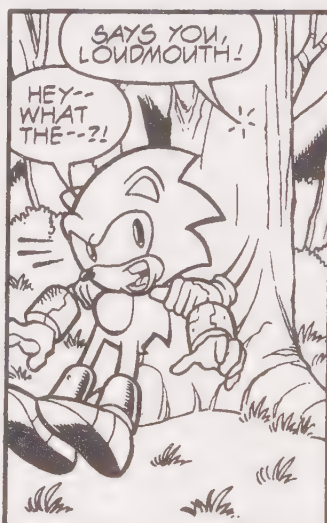
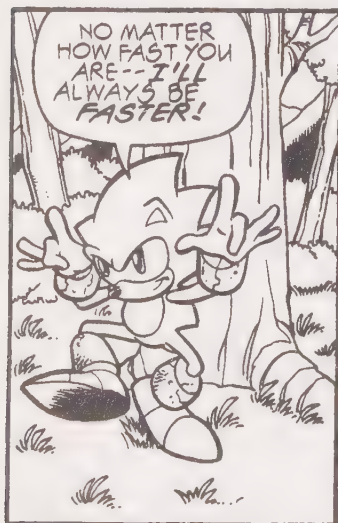
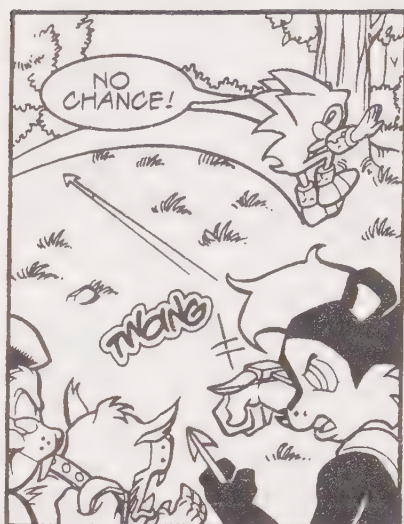
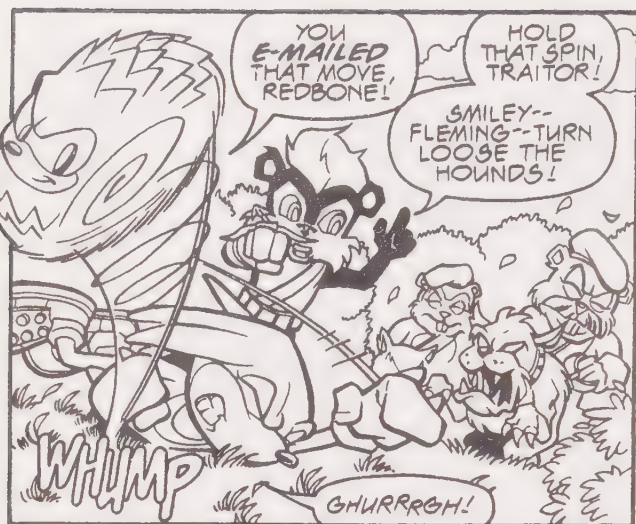
AS PERSONAL GUARD
TO KING ACORN OF MOBIUS,
I DEPUTIZE AND COMMAND
YOU TO HELP ME BRING
PRINCESS SALLY'S ASSASSIN
TO JUSTICE!

WHAT?!
PUH-PRINCESS
SALLY--
DEAD?!

I TOLD
HER YOU WERE
NO GOOD--
ARRRR!

NO!
YOU GOTTA
BELIEVE ME...
DON'T--

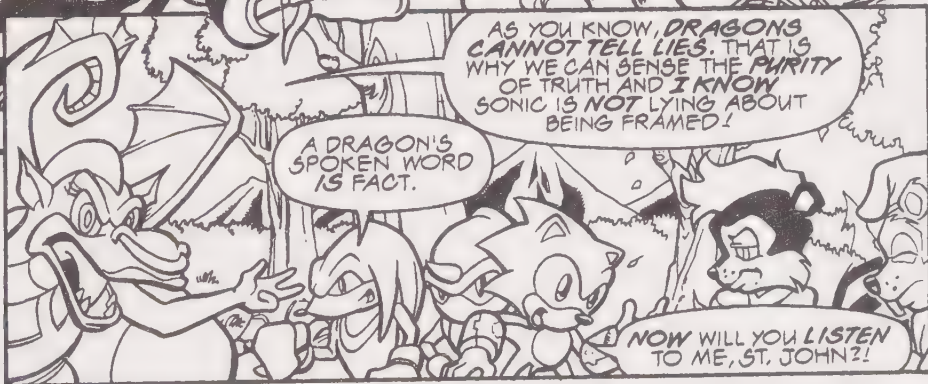
CAN'T GET
A CLEAR SHOT
AT THE
HEDGEHOG...





ALTHOUGH I
HAVE BEEN KNOWN
TO LISTEN TO A
DRAGON EVERY
NOW AND THEN...

DULCE!
IN THE NICK
OF TIME!



AS YOU KNOW, DRAGONS
CANNOT TELL LIES. THAT IS
WHY WE CAN SENSE THE PURITY
OF TRUTH AND I KNOW
SONIC IS NOT LYING ABOUT
BEING FRAMED!

A DRAGON'S
SPOKEN WORD
IS FACT.

NOW WILL YOU LISTEN
TO ME, ST. JOHNZ!



OUR REAL ENEMY IS TRYING
TO **DIVIDE AND CONQUER** US!
INSTEAD, WE MUST TEAM UP!
FLEMING, BRING YOUR PLANE
INTO THIS CLEARING!

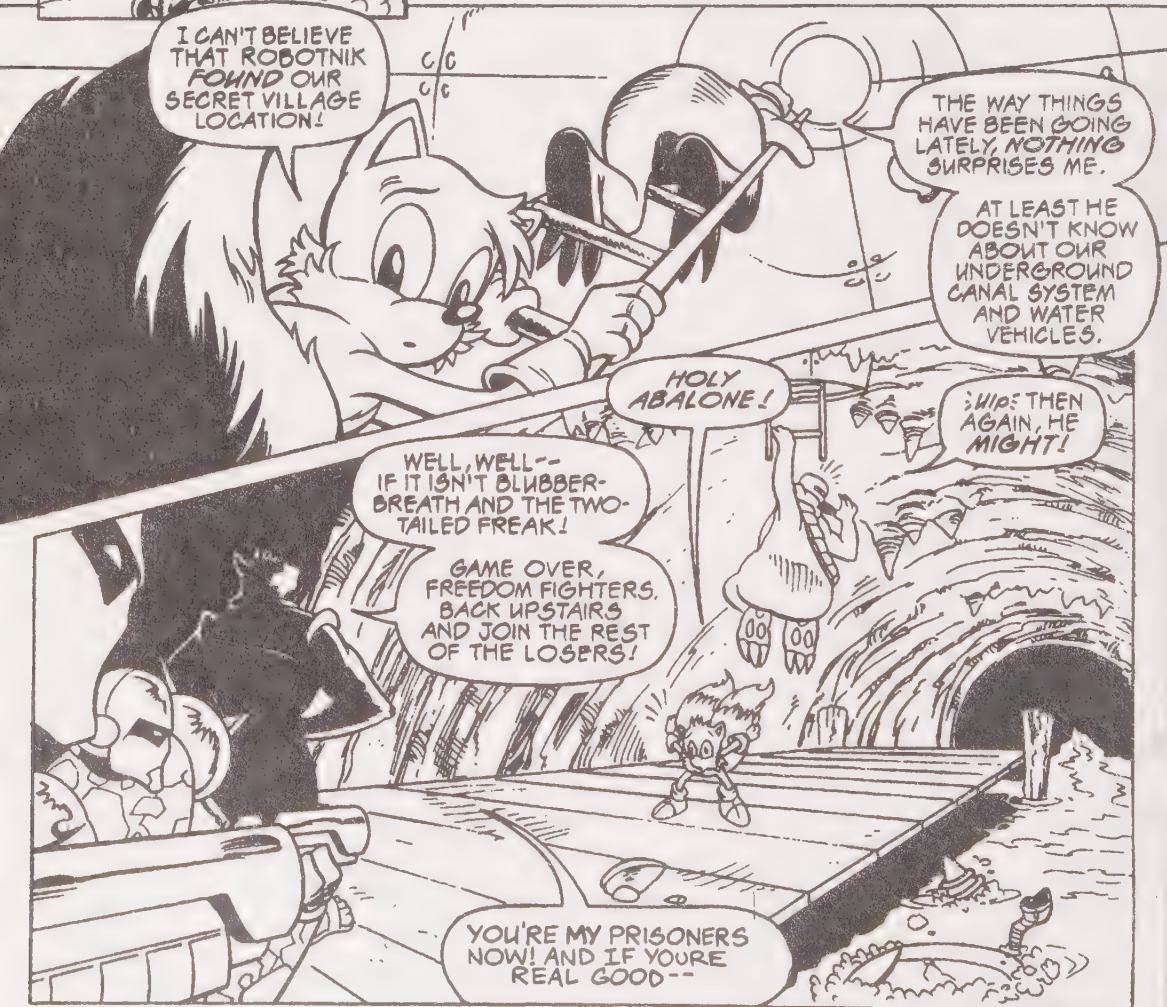
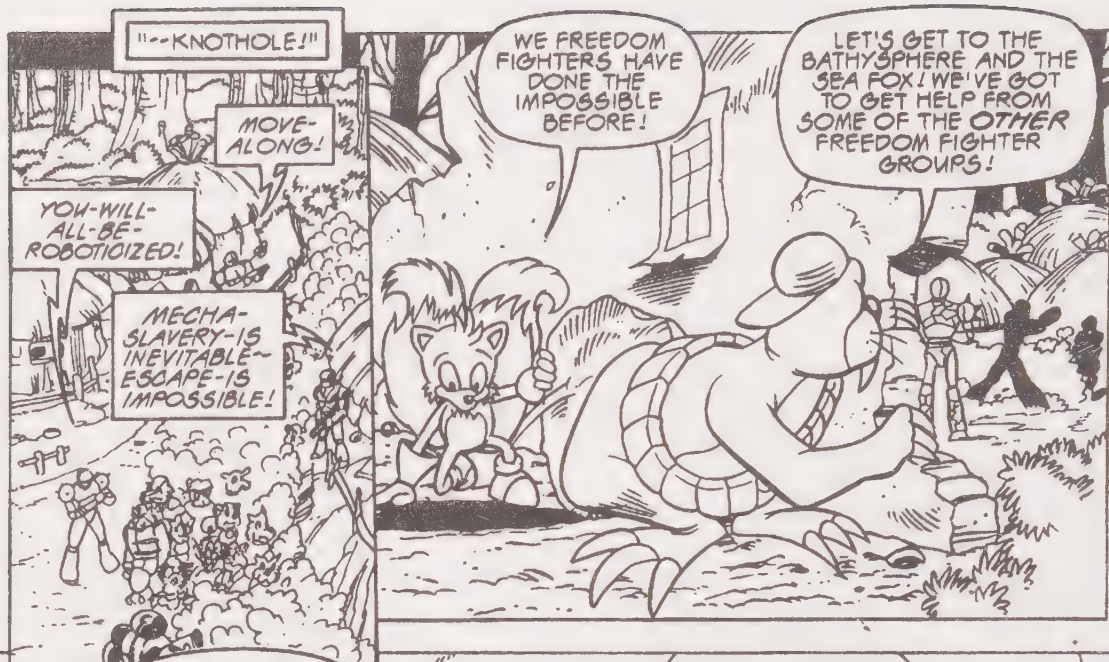
YES,
SIR!

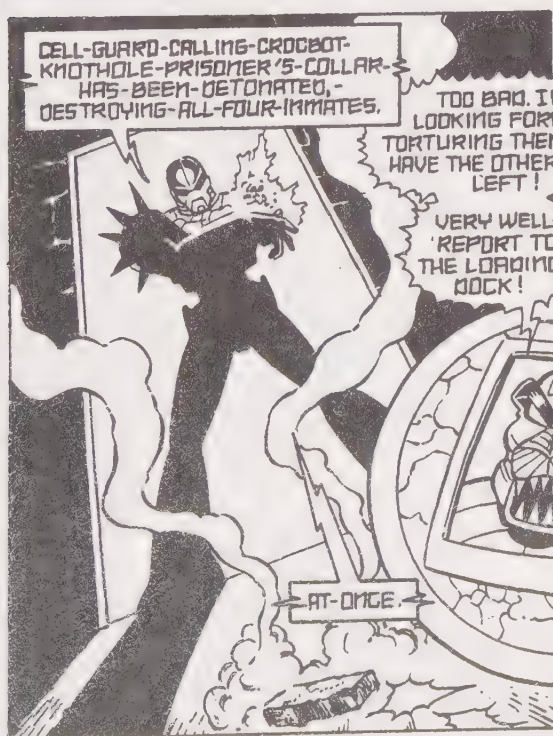
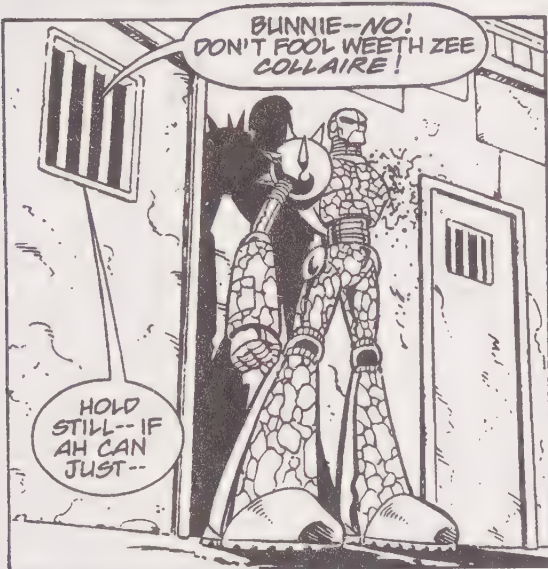
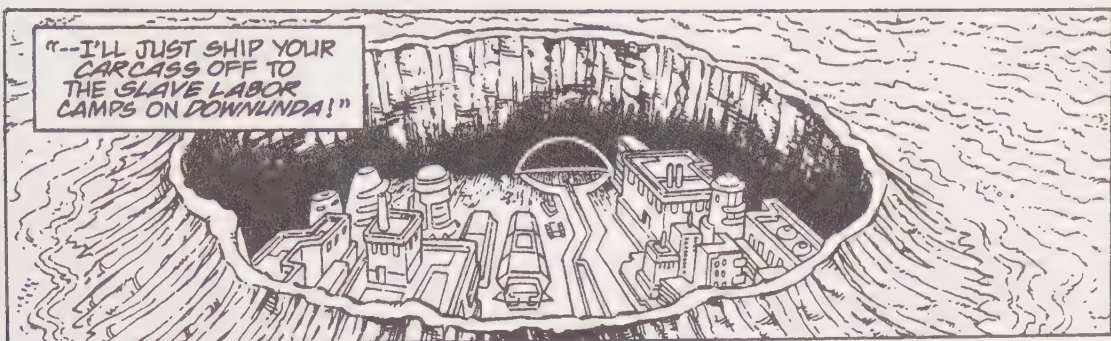
WHAT'S YOUR
NEXT MOVE,
KNUX?

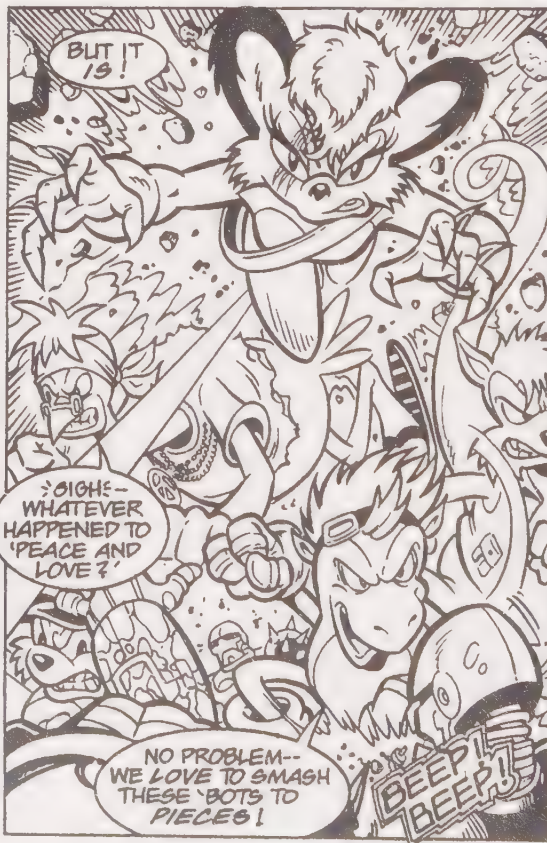
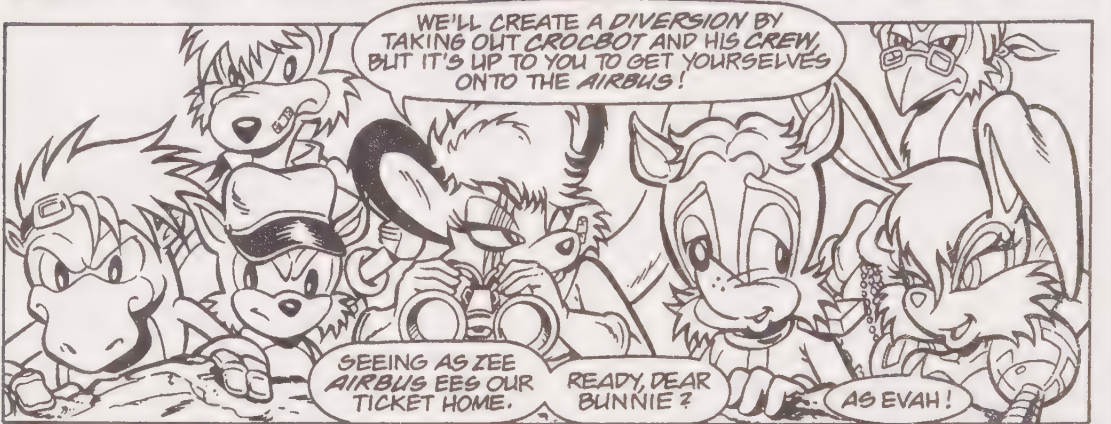
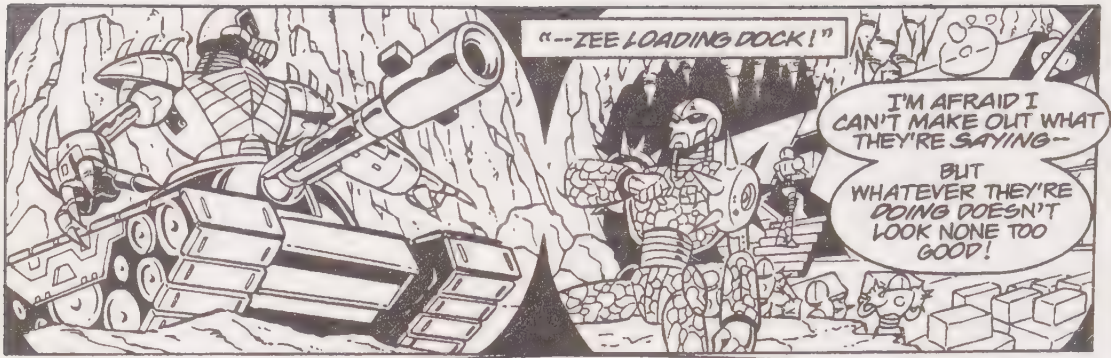
OUT OF RESPECT
FOR PRINCESS SALLY,
I'M GOING ALONG
TO **HELP SONIC**. I
WANT YOU TO AS-
SEMBLE THE CHAOTIX
AND GUARD THE
ISLAND UNTIL I GET
BACK...

I DON'T
THINK I'LL FIT
IN A PLANE,
SONIC...

THAT'S OKAY,
DULCE! YOU'VE DONE
**MORE THAN
ENOUGH** - CHILL!
WE'LL TAKE IT
BACK TO--







"IVO ROBOTNIK IN ROBOTROPOLIS
CALLING CROCBOT'S CRATER IN
DOWNUNDA..."

COME IN,
CROCBOT!

WHAT?!

LOOK, I'M DEALING
WITH AN UPRISING HERE
AT THE PRISON CAMP!
THE MINERAL ORE
WE'VE MINED IS ALREADY
ON ITS WAY TO YOU!

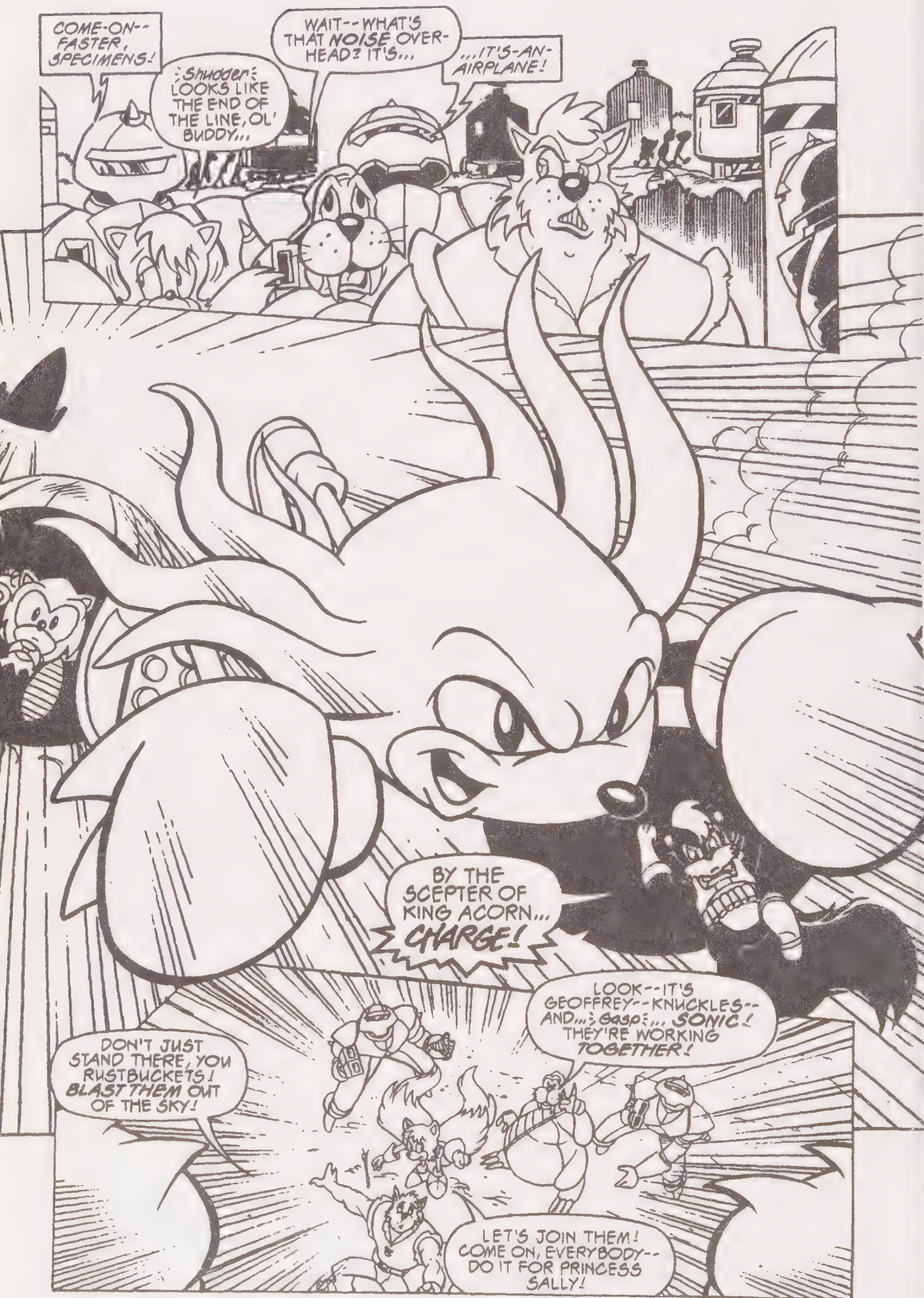
Ahhh... THAT'S
ALL I WANTED TO
KNOW--ROBOTNIK,
OVER AND
OUT!

HA! ONCE I GET
THE ORE, MY ULTIMATE
ANNIHILATOR WILL
BE OPERATIONAL!

AT WHICH TIME, I
WILL UNLEASH THE
HA'S POWER ON THE
VILLAGE OF KNOTHOLE,
ERASING IT FROM EX-
ISTENCE FOREVER!

I MUST RETURN
TO MY SLUMBER CHAM-
BER BEFORE THE ORE
ARRIVES. I WANT TO BE
WELL RESTED FOR MY
ULTIMATE VICTORY!
HAHAHAHA!

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COME-ON--
FASTER,
SPECIMENS!

SHODDER
LOOKS LIKE
THE END OF
THE LINE, OL'
BUDDY...

WAIT--WHAT'S
THAT NOISE OVER-
HEAD? IT'S...

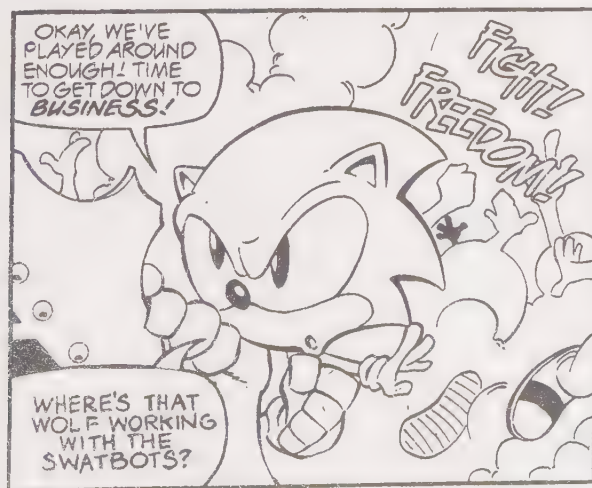
...IT'S-AN-
AIRPLANE!

BY THE
SCYTH OF
KING ACORN...
CHARGE!

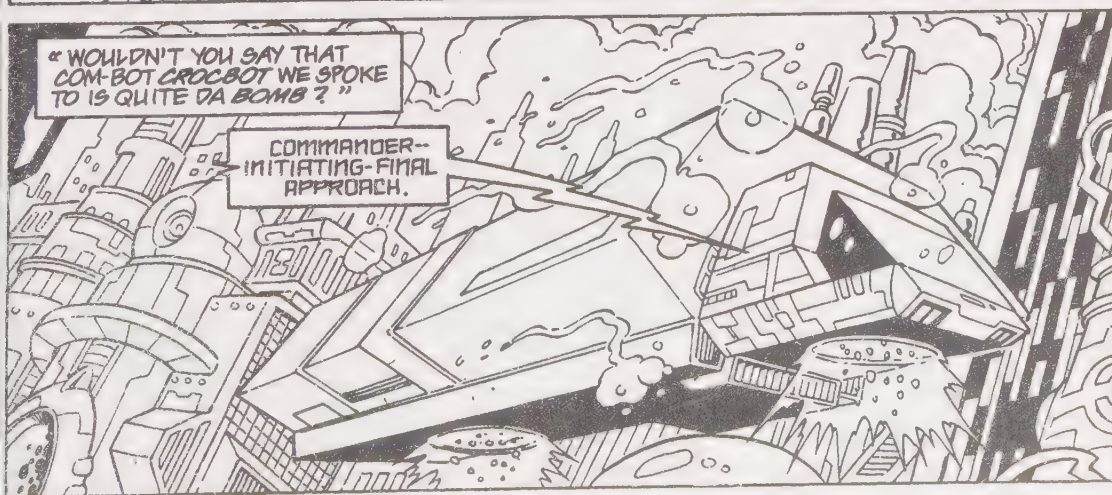
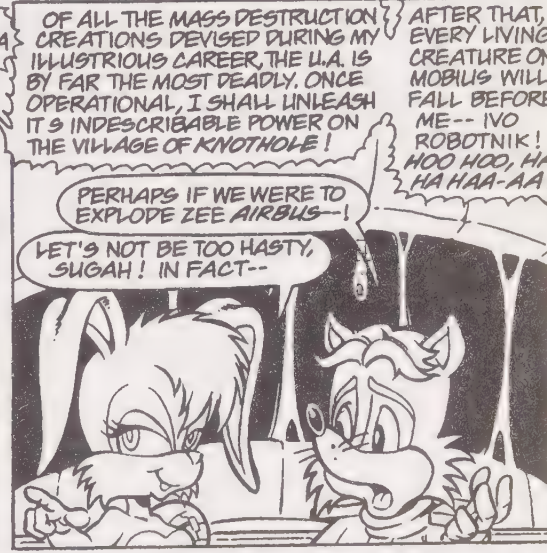
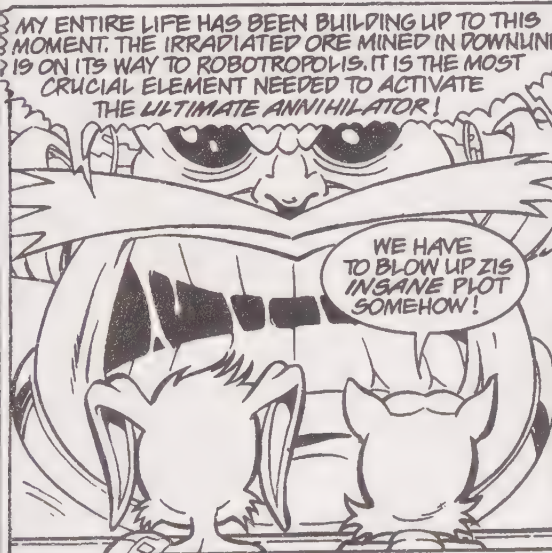
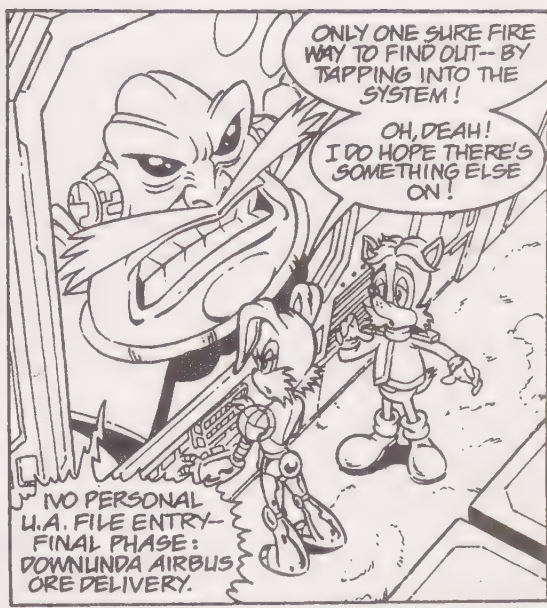
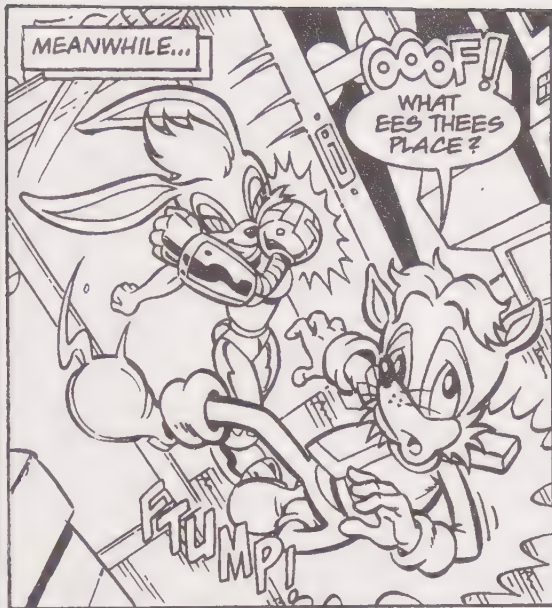
DON'T JUST
STAND THERE, YOU
RUSTBUCKETS!
BLAST THEM OUT
OF THE SKY!

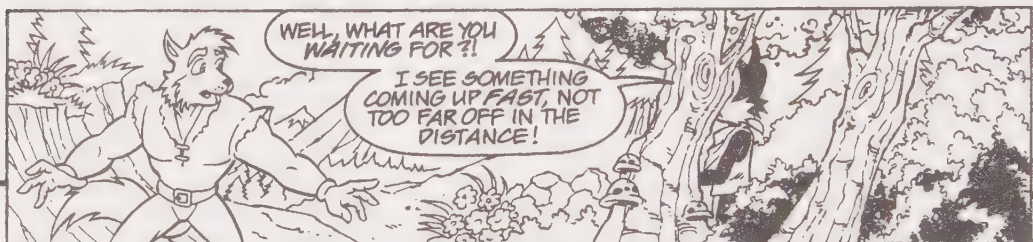
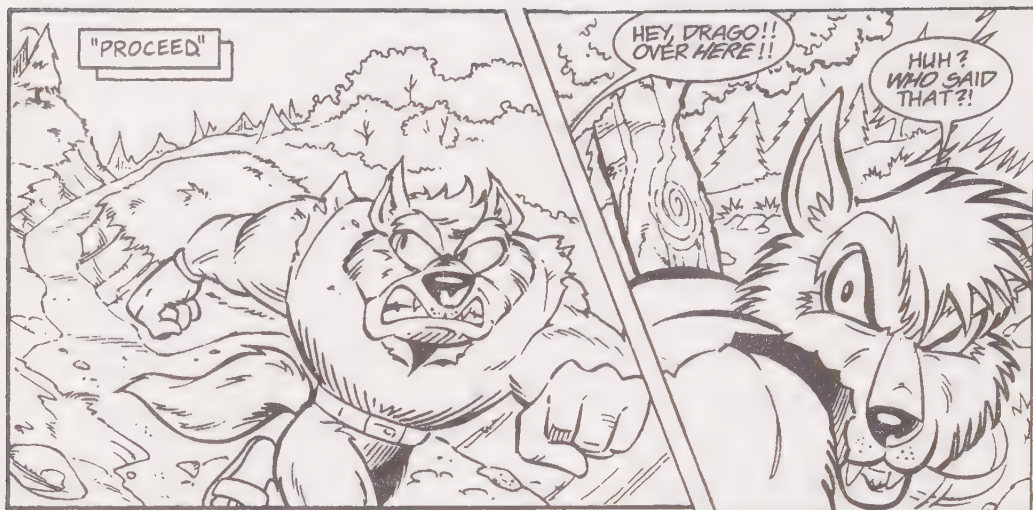
LOOK--IT'S
GEOFFREY--KNUCKLES--
AND...*Gasp!*... SONIC!
THEY'RE WORKING
TOGETHER!

LET'S JOIN THEM!
COME ON, EVERYBODY--
DO IT FOR PRINCESS
SALLY!









--INSTEAD
OF A LOSER
LIKE YOU!!

MEE-OWN!

YOU WIT--
OOF!!

OOW!!!

BAM
BAM
BAM

DON'T YOU
WORRY, DRAGO!

I'M FAR
FROM THROUGH
WITH YOU!

I LOVED YOU,
DRAGO! I'D HAVE
DONE ANYTHING
FOR YOU!!!

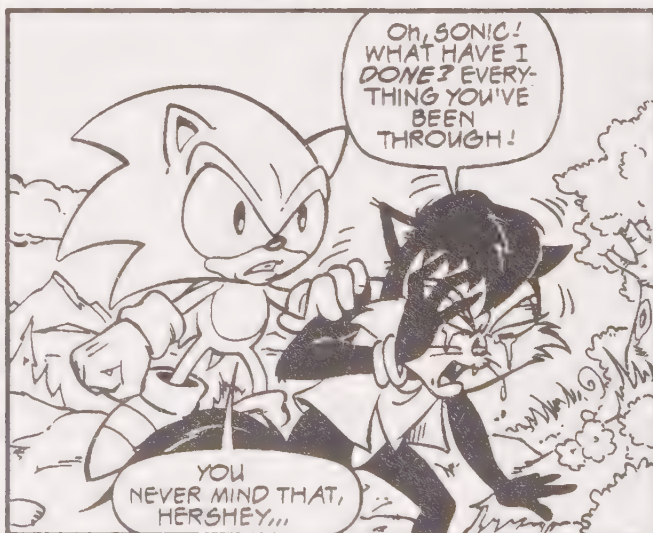
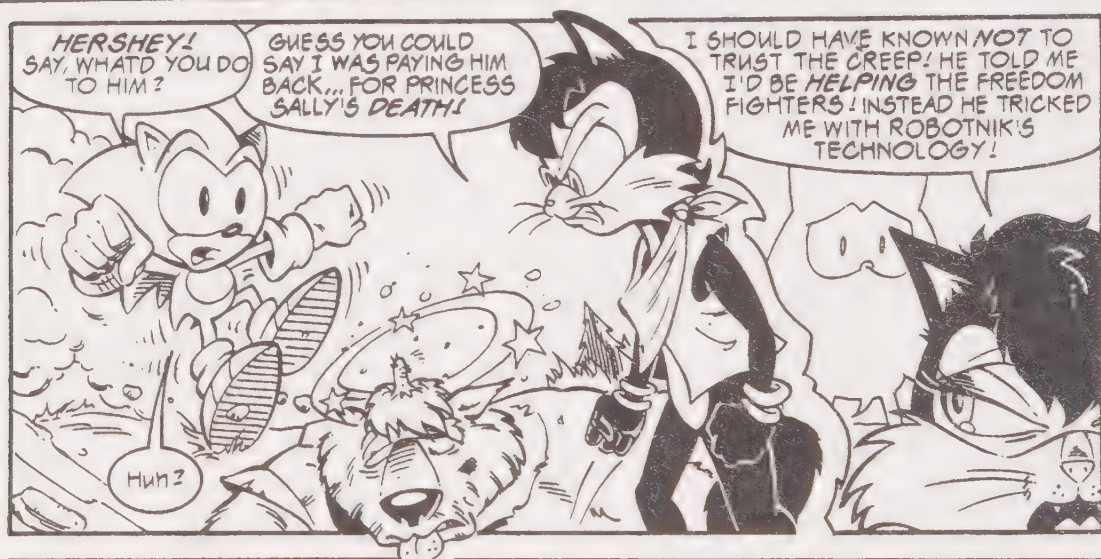
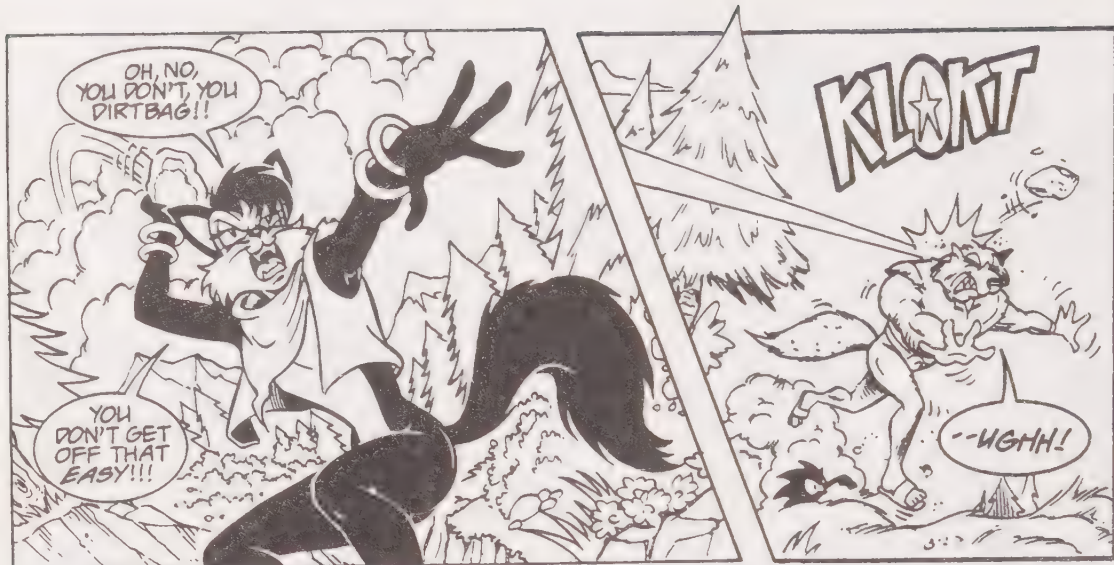
AND FOR YOU
TO USE ME LIKE
THAT--

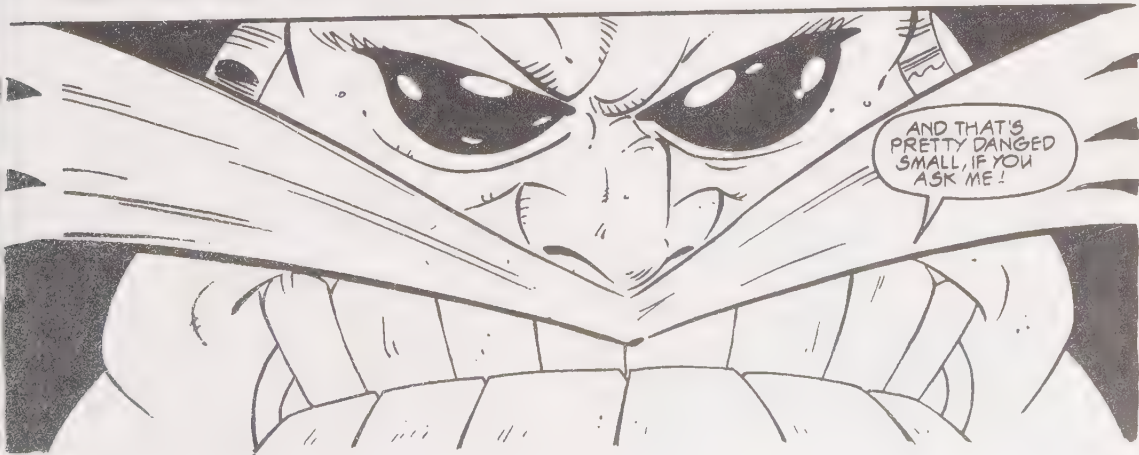
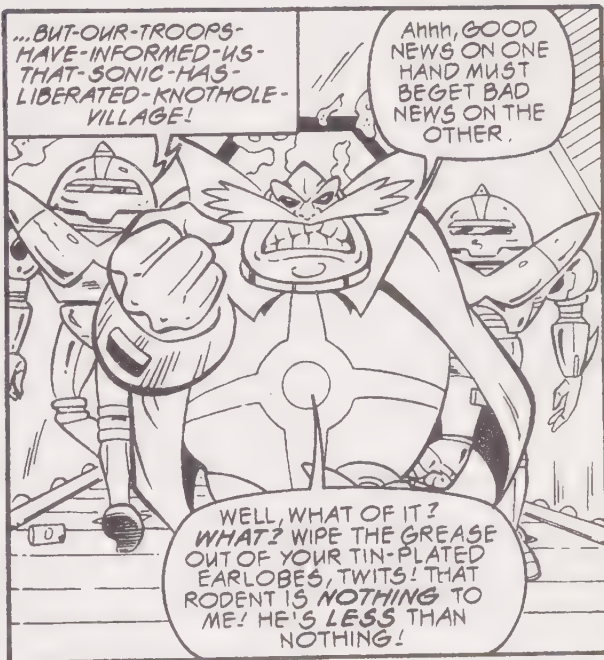
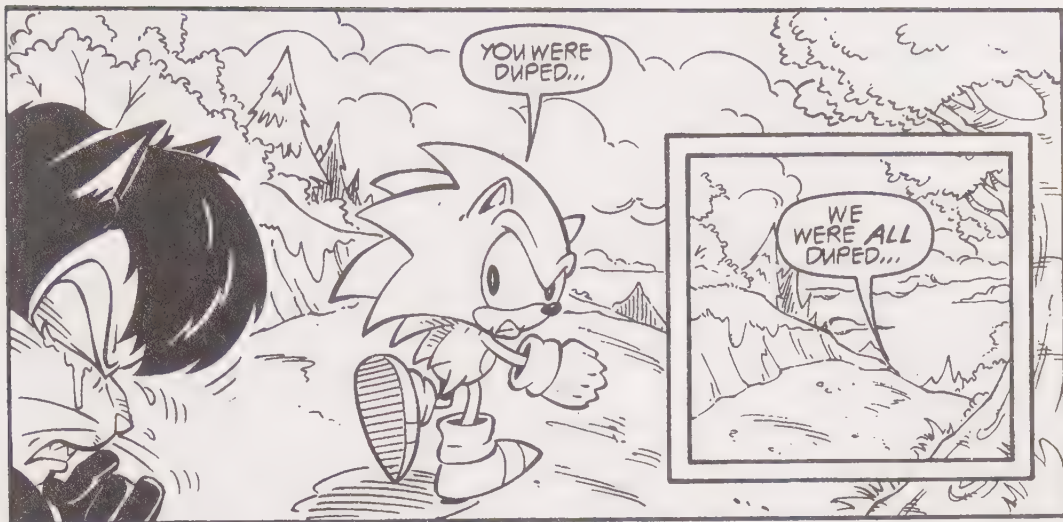
YOU'RE THE
WORST PIECE
OF SH!ME IT'S
BEEN MY
MISFORTUNE
TO KNOW!!

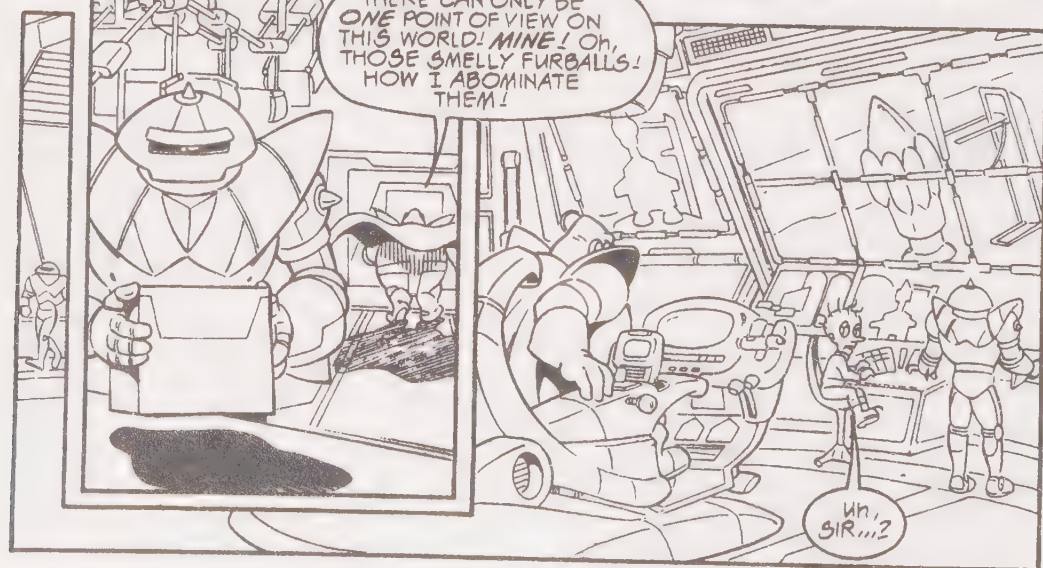
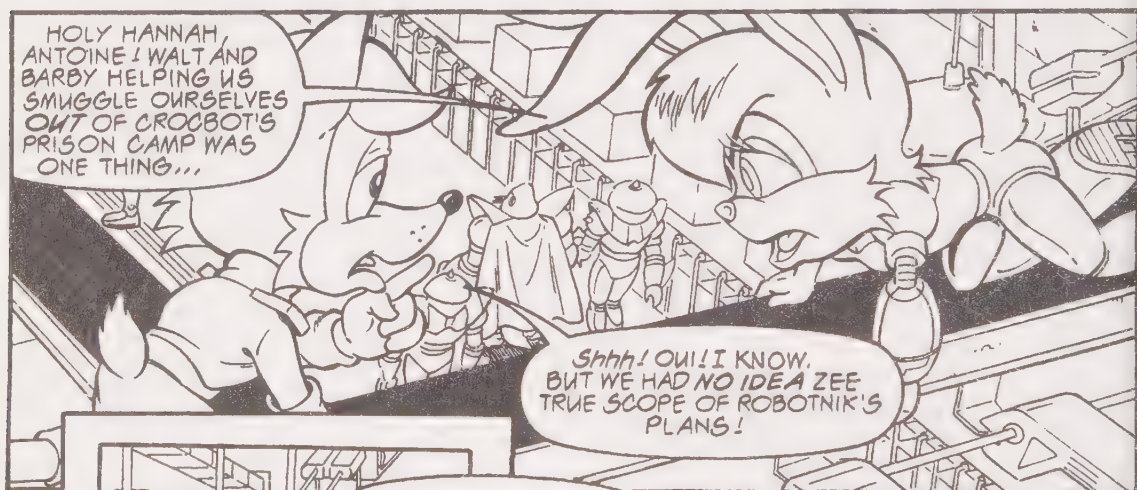
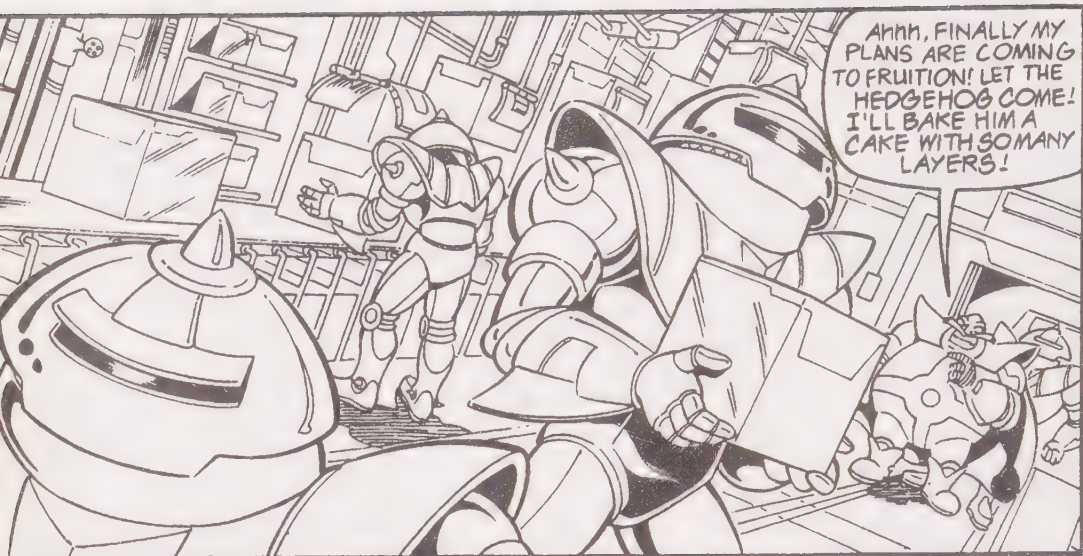
WELL, BUSTER,
HERE'S WHERE YOU
GET YOURS!!

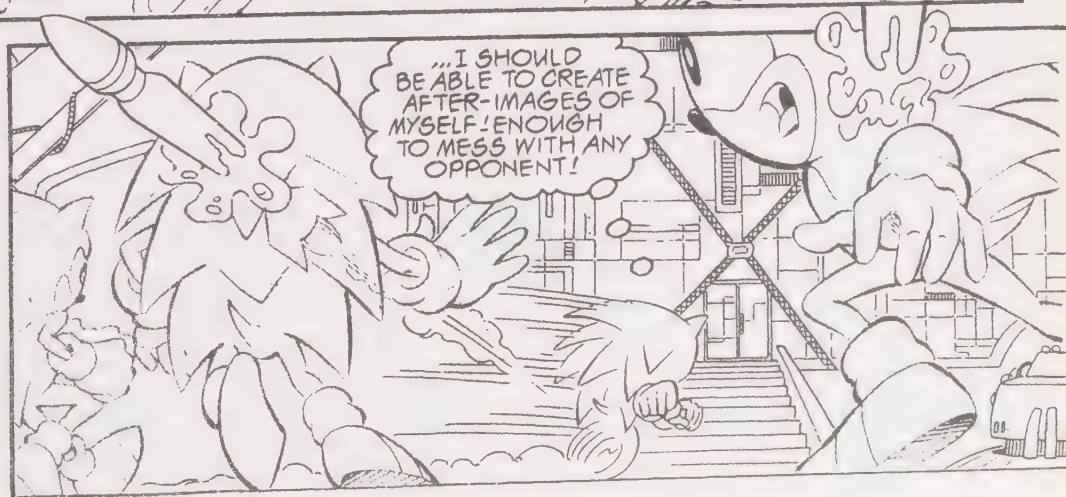
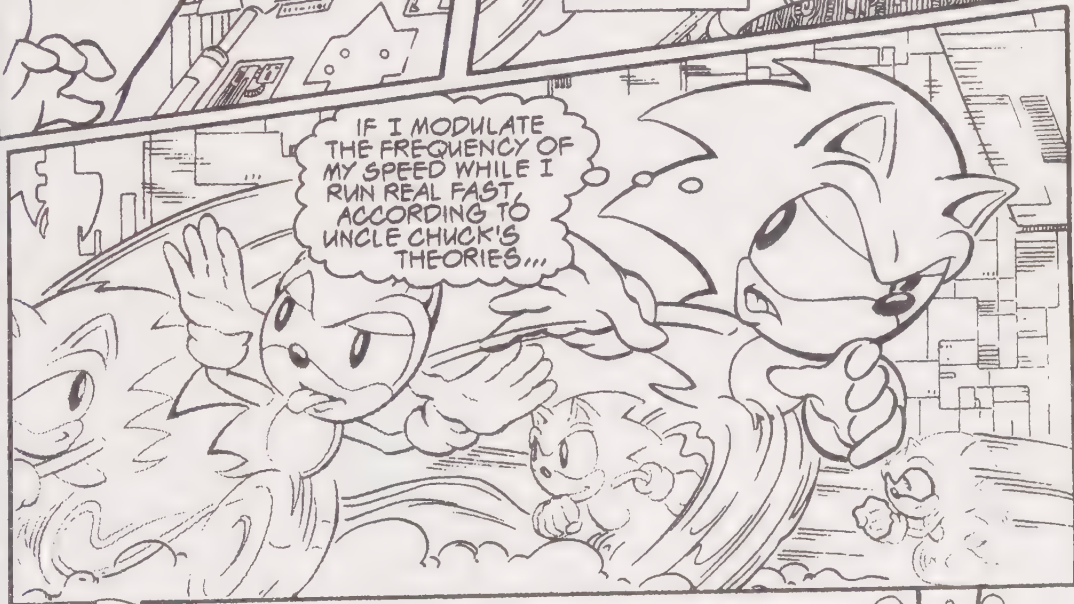
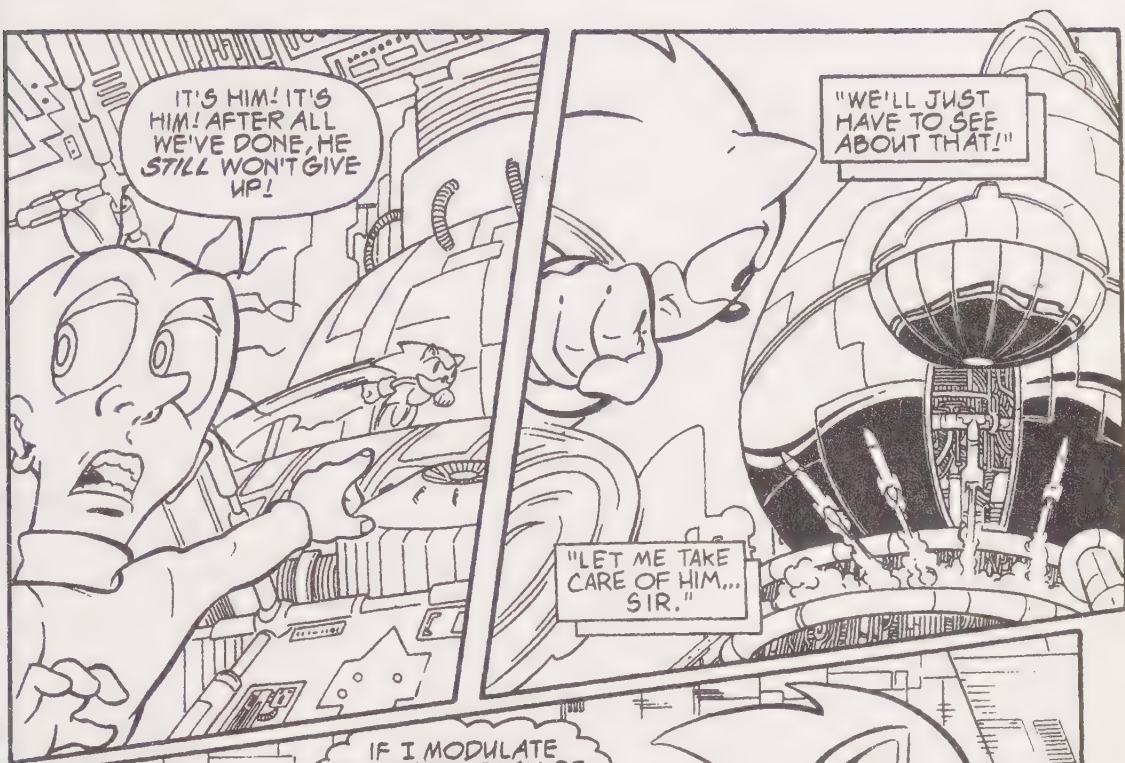
HERSHEY!!
NOOOOO!!

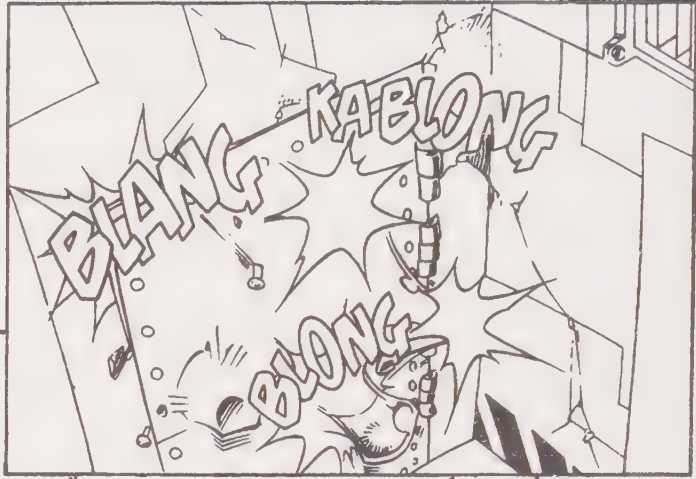
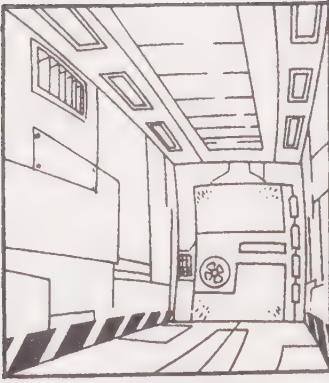
BAM











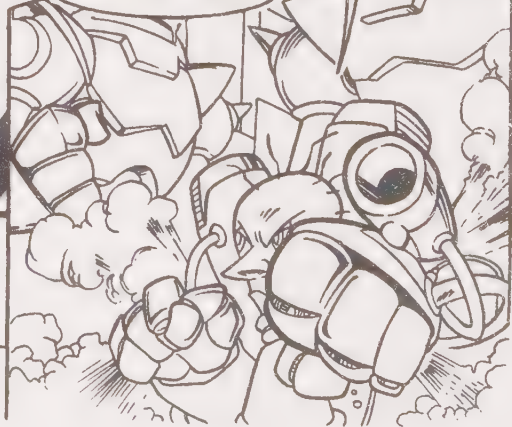
OUTTA MY WAY,
SWATBOTS!

OH GOODY
LOOK WHO'S
COME TO
PLAY!

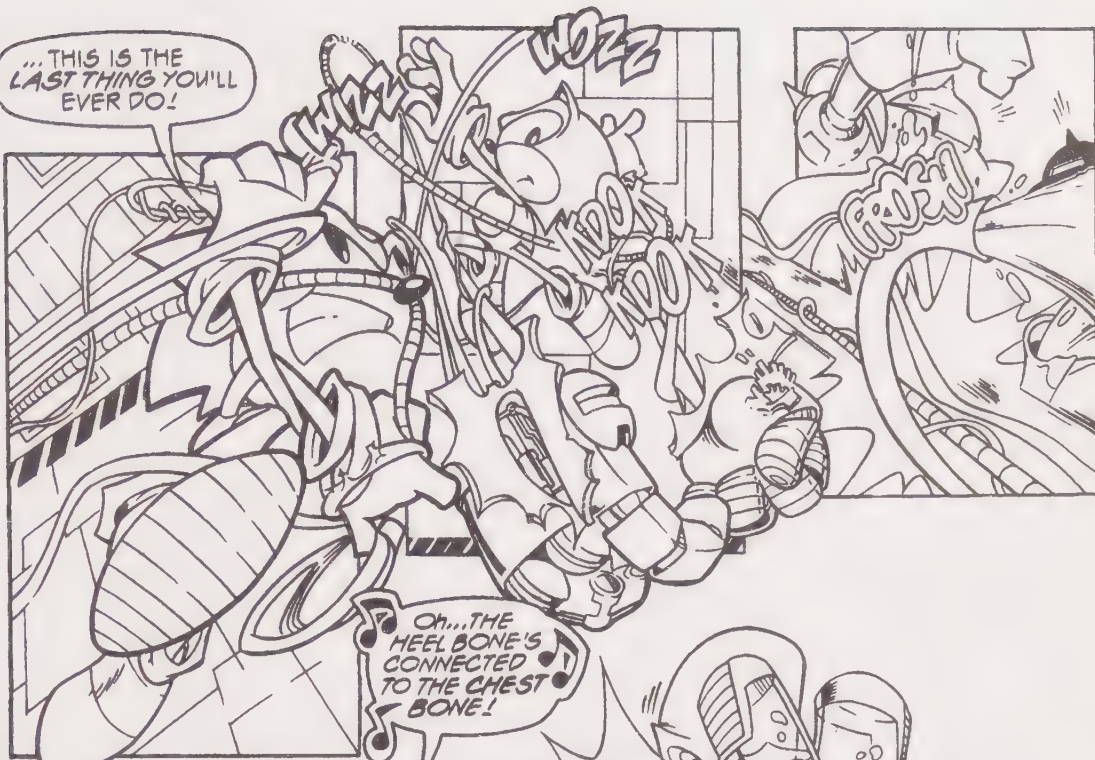
SNIVELY.

HEDGEHOG... IF
THIS IS THE LAST
THING I EVER DO, I'LL
SEE YOU *NEVER*
MAKE IT INSIDE!

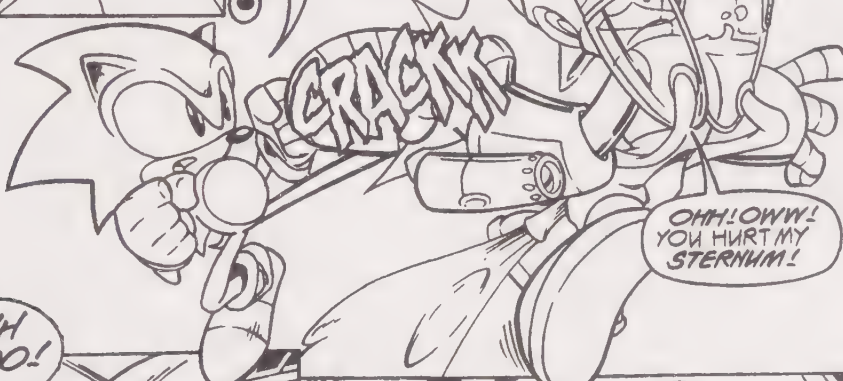
YOU'RE RIGHT
ABOUT ONE THING,
NEEDLE-NOSE...



...THIS IS THE
LAST THING YOU'LL
EVER DO!

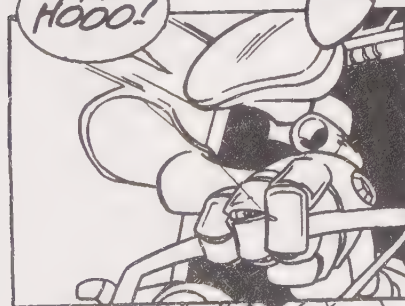


OH...THE
HEEL BONE'S
CONNECTED
TO THE CHEST
BONE!



OH! OW! OW!
YOU HURT MY
STERNUM!

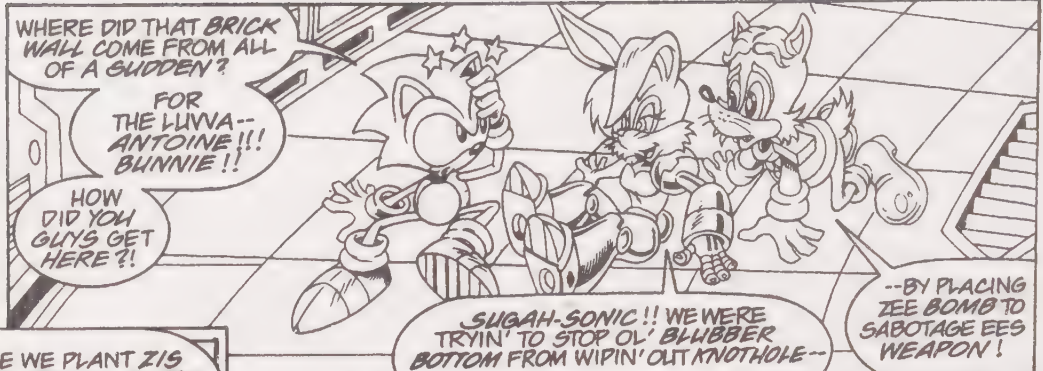
AHH
HOOO!



LOOKS LIKE
MY SIDE KICK GENT
ROBOTNIK'S *SIDE-
KICK* RIGHT DOWN
THE DRAIN!

GOOD! NOW
I CAN FOCUS MY
ATTENTION ON...
OOFF!





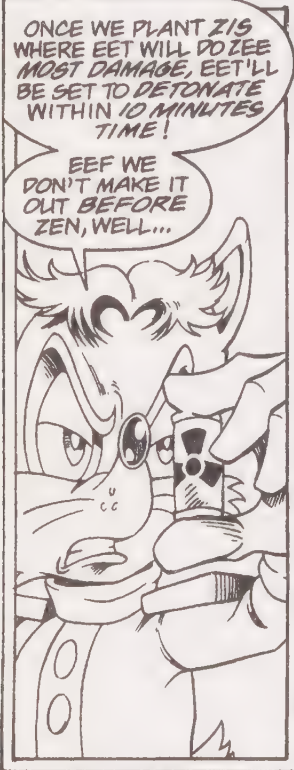
WHERE DID THAT BRICK WALL COME FROM ALL OF A SUDDEN?

FOR THE LUVVA-- ANTOINE!!!
BUNNIE!!

HOW DID YOU GUYS GET HERE?!

SUGAH-SONIC!! WE WERE TRYIN' TO STOP OL' BLUBBER BOTTOM FROM WIPIN' OUT KNOTHOLE--

--BY PLACING ZEE BOMB TO SABOTAGE EES WEAPON!



ONCE WE PLANT ZIS WHERE EET WILL DO ZEE MOST DAMAGE, EET'LL BE SET TO DETONATE WITHIN 10 MINUTES TIME!

EEF WE DON'T MAKE IT OUT BEFORE ZEN, WELL...



NOBODY SAID WE'D LIVE FOREVER!

BESIDES, IF THAT'S THE PRICE FOR TAKING DOWN 'BUTT-NICK--

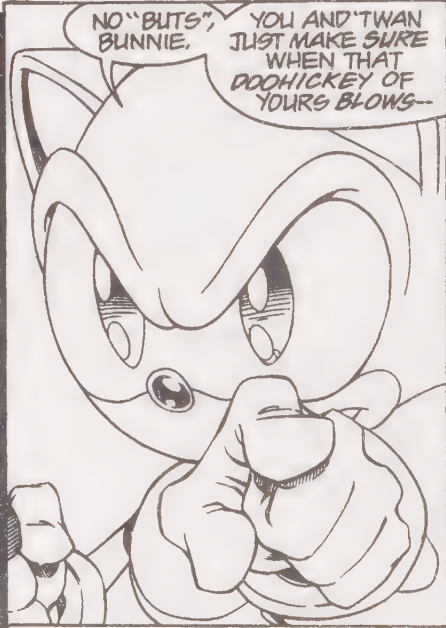
--LET'S DO IT TO IT!

SONIC!! WAIT!!

WHAIRE ARE YOU GOING?!

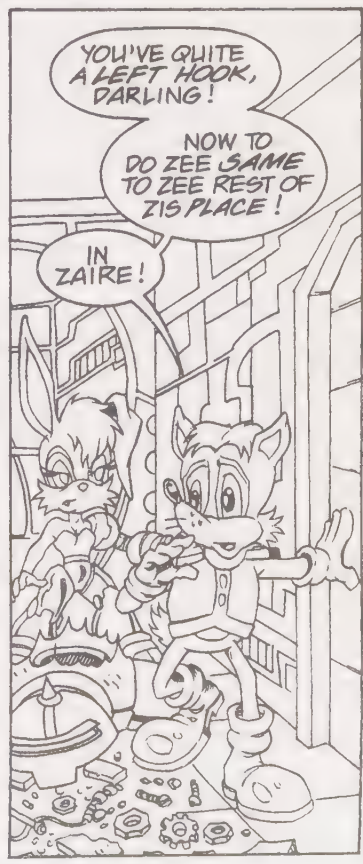
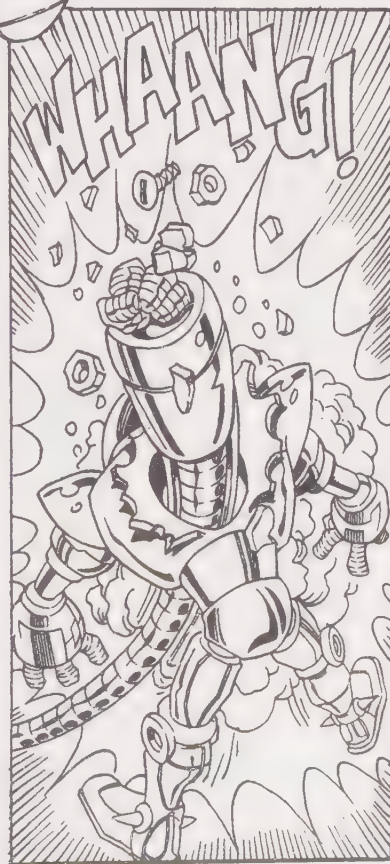
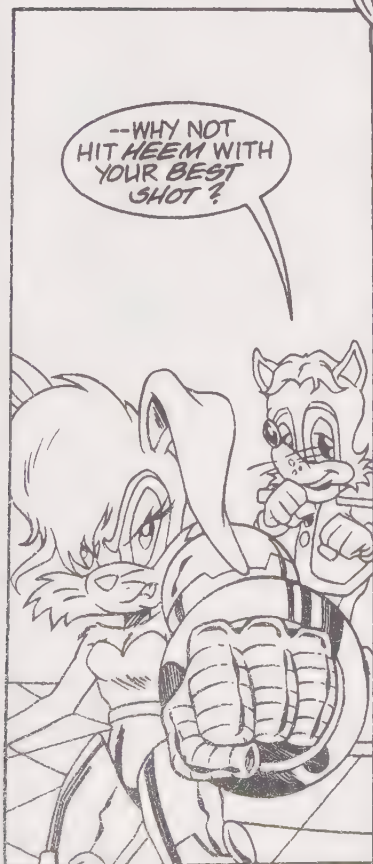
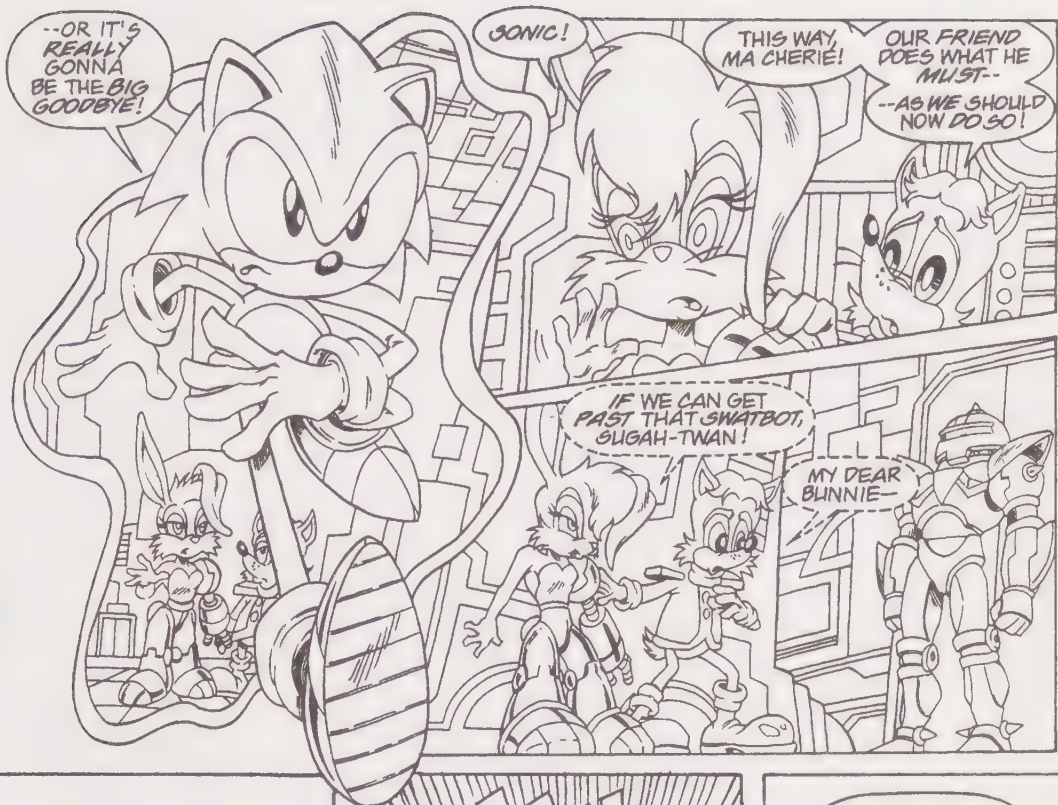
TO BUY YOU GUYS TIME!

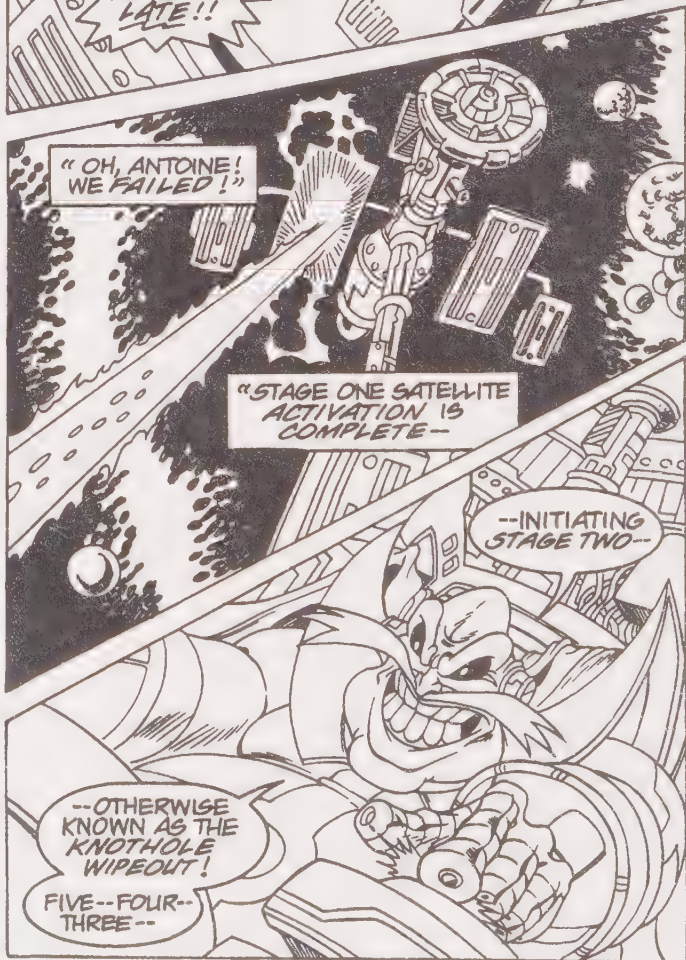
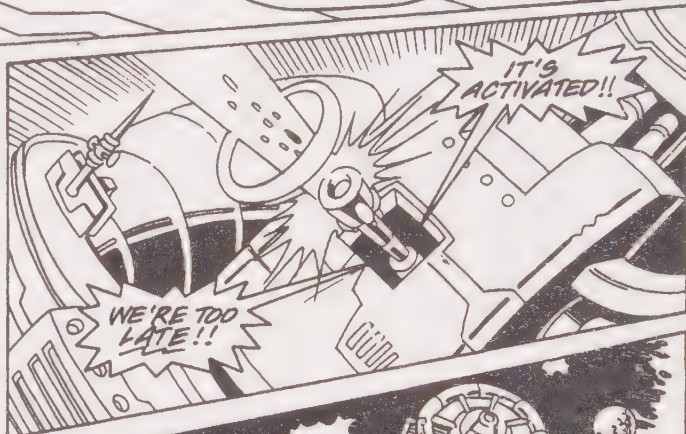
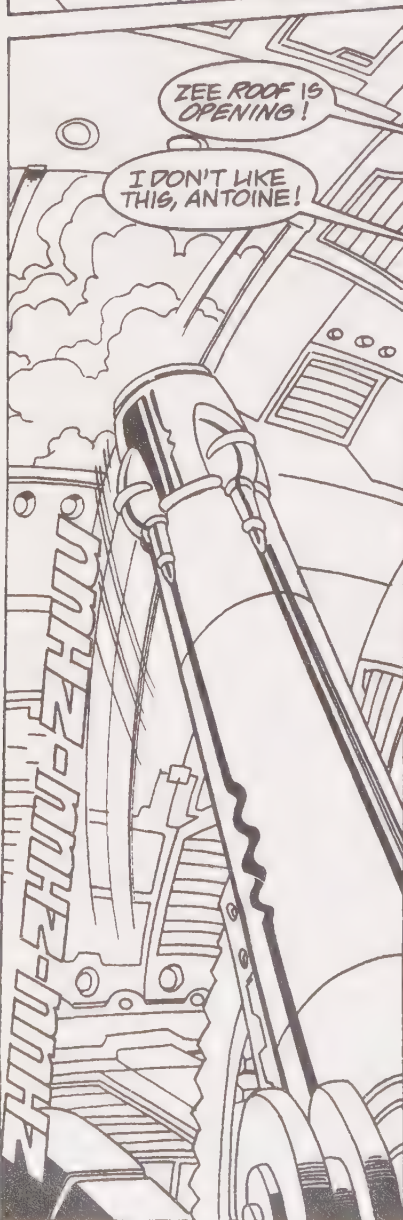
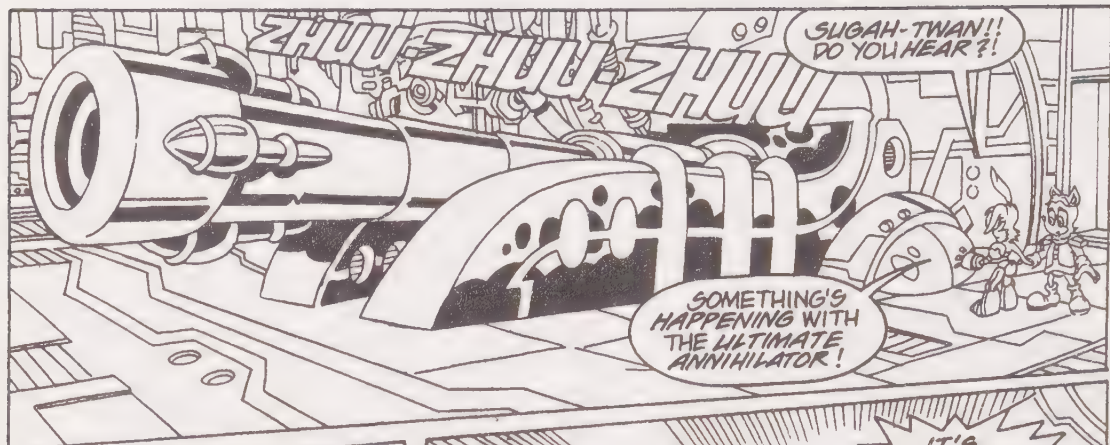
BUT, SONIC--

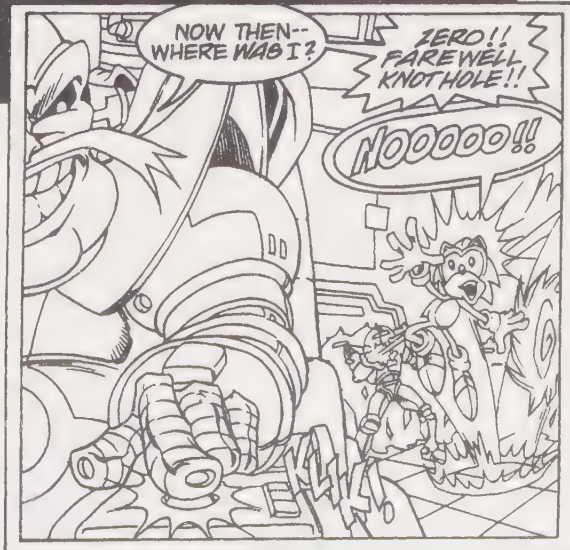
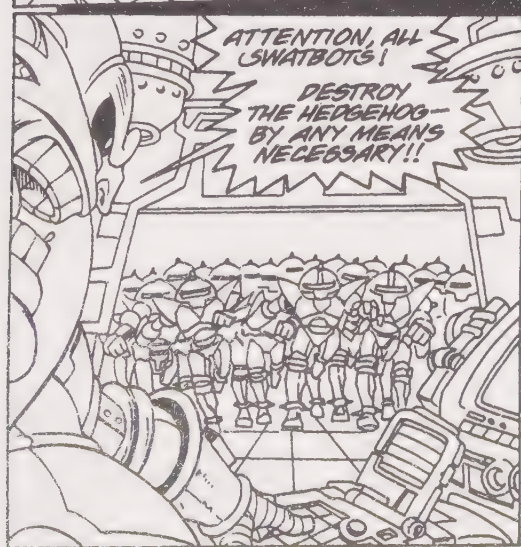
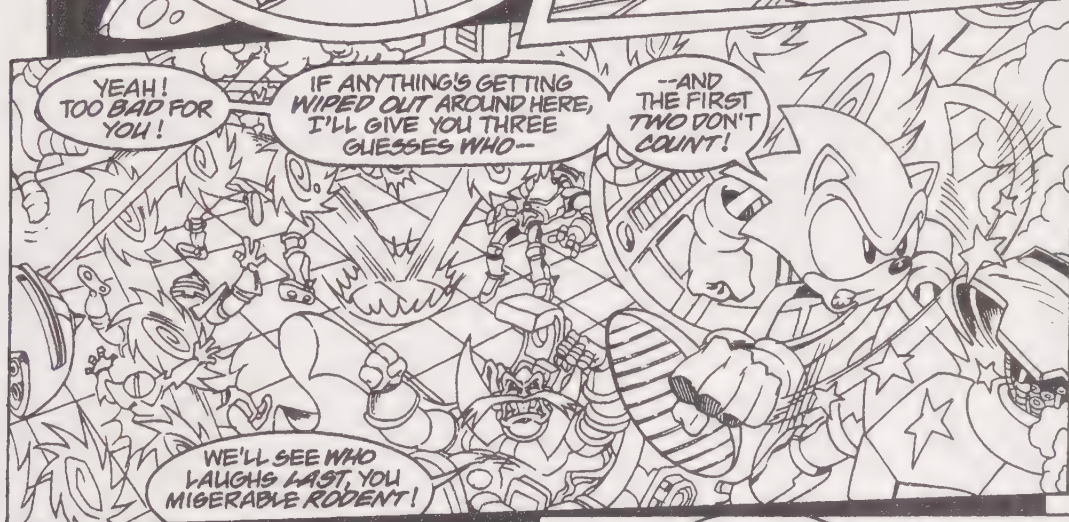
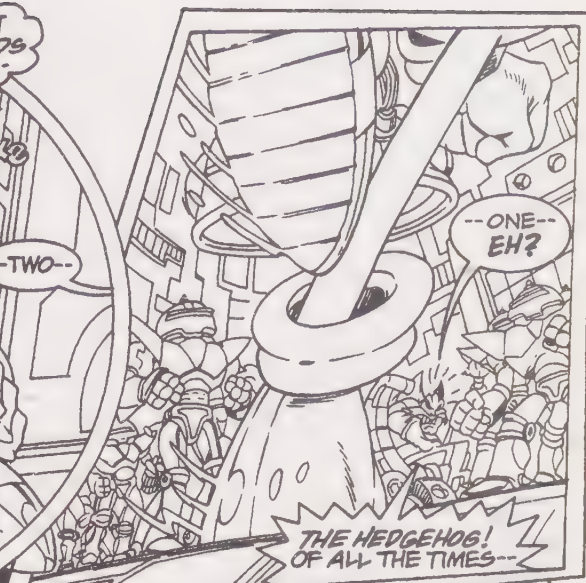
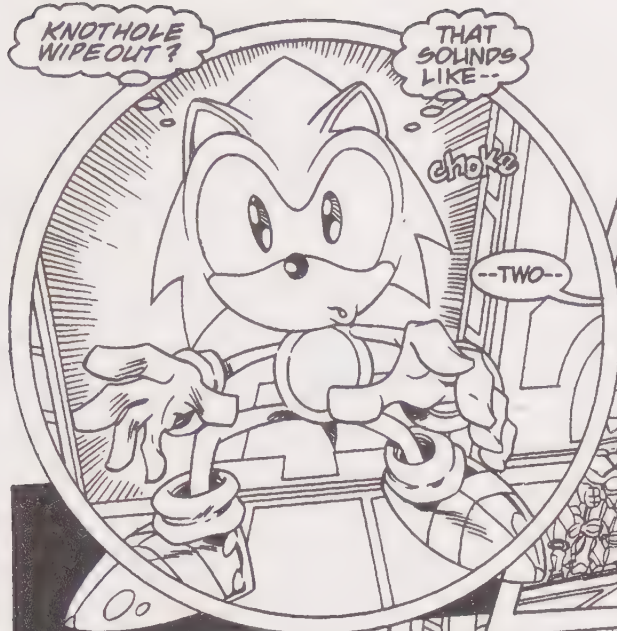


NO "BUTS", BUNNIE.

YOU AND 'TWAN JUST MAKE SURE WHEN THAT DOOHICKEY OF YOURS BLOWS--







WITH BUT THE
PRESS OF A
BUTTON...

AN ENERGY BEAM OF
IMMENSE MAGNITUDE
IS UNLEASHED,
FOCUSED ON ONE
SPECIFIC LOCATION...

AFTER ALL
THIS TIME--

KNOTHOLE AND
ITS CITIZENS ARE
ELIMINATED!

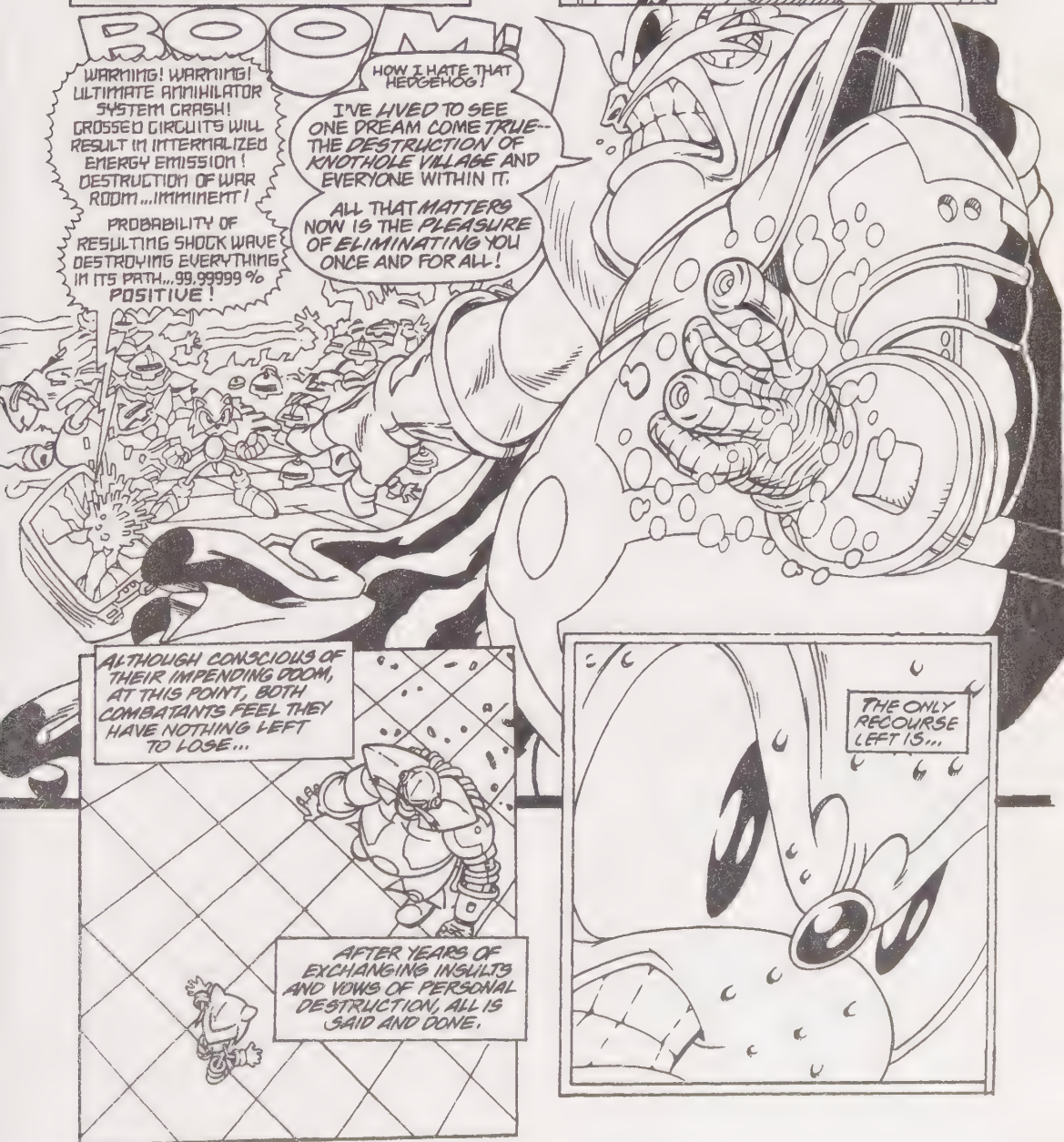
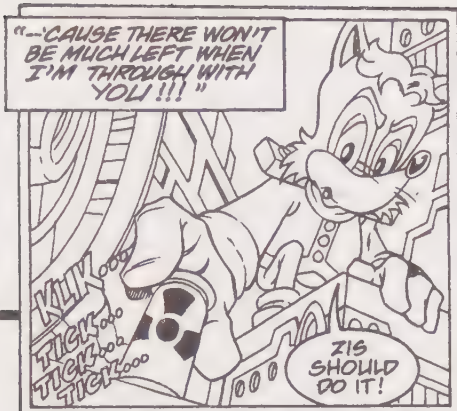
N-NOOO...

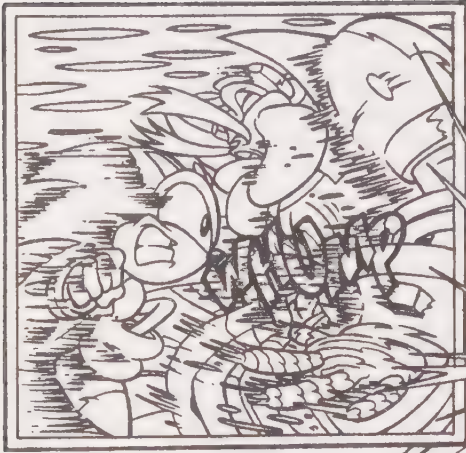
ALL MY FRIENDS...
EVERYONE THAT EVER
MATTERED...

EVERYTHING
ALL GONE!

BECAUSE OF YOU,
ROBOTNIK!!

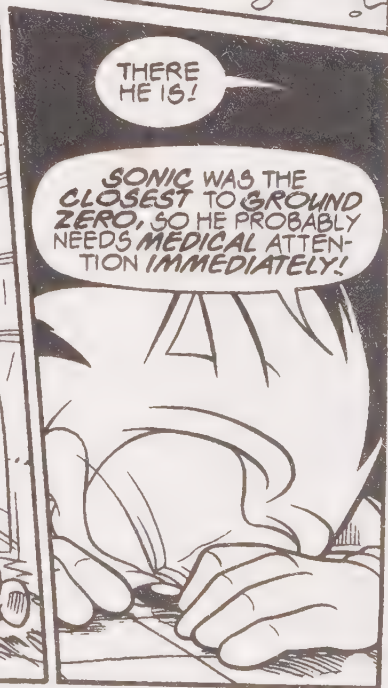
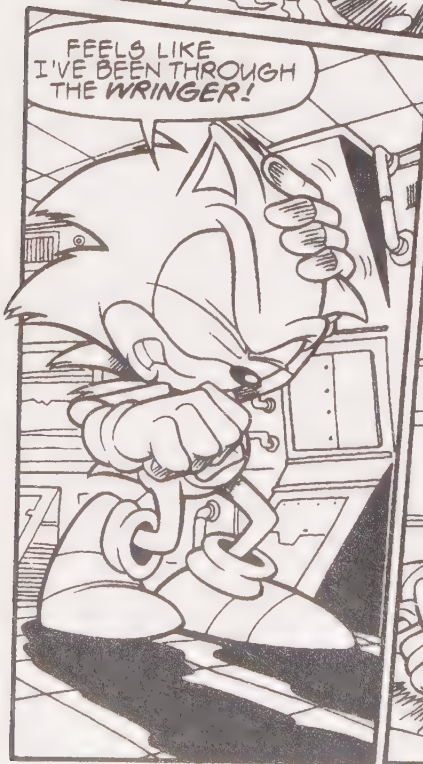
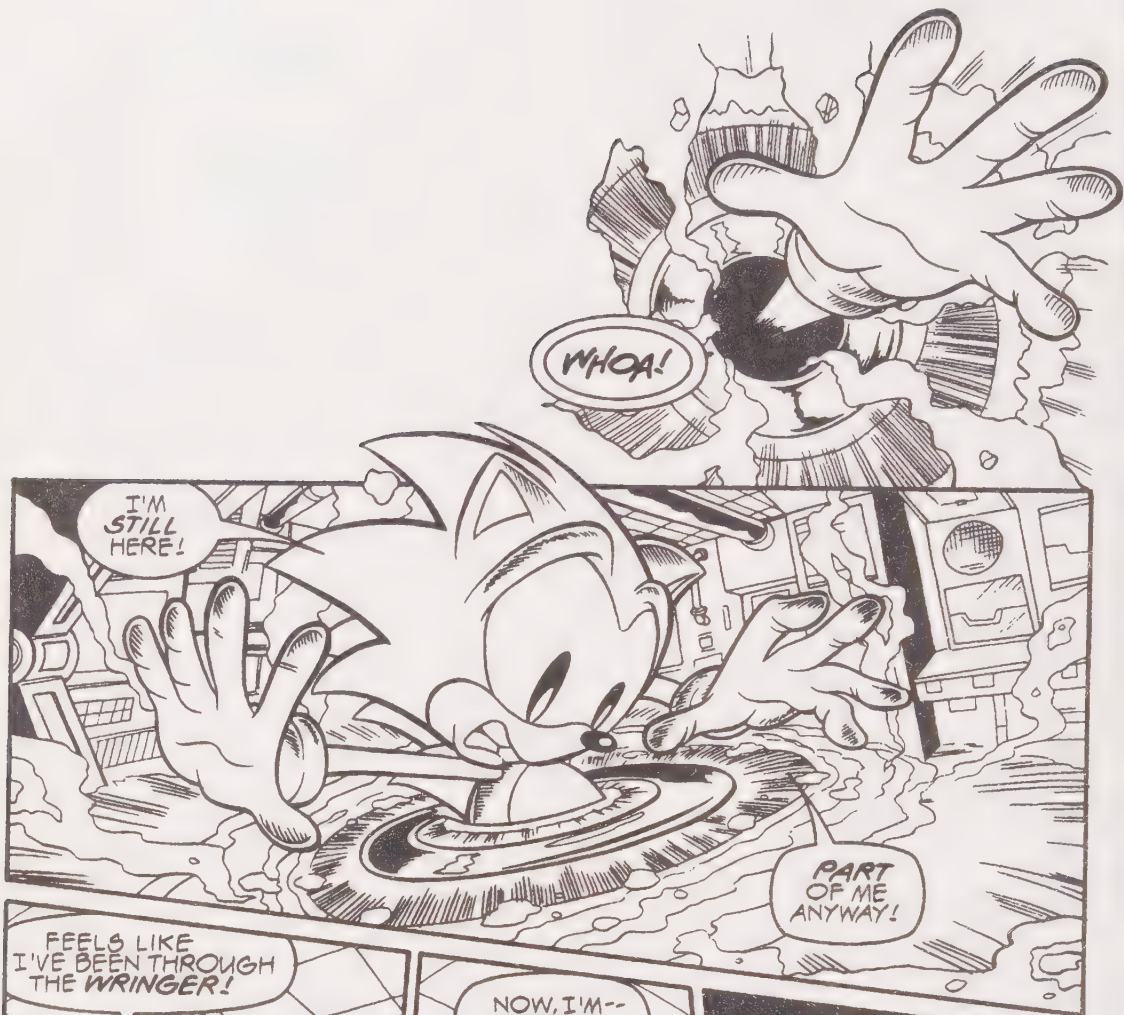
YOU BETTER RUN,
ROBO-BUTT !!!--

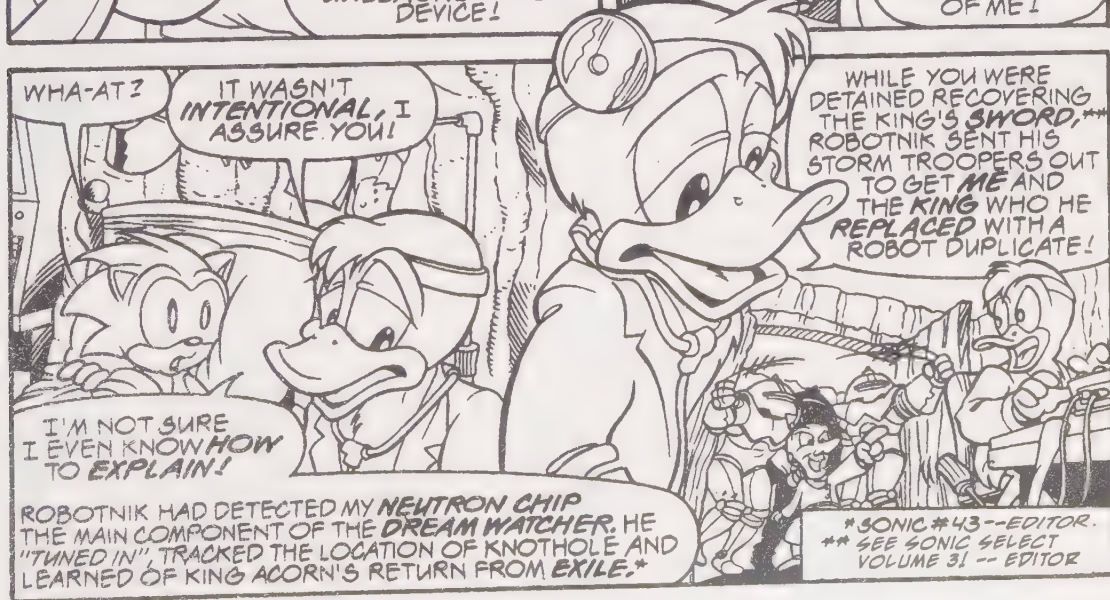
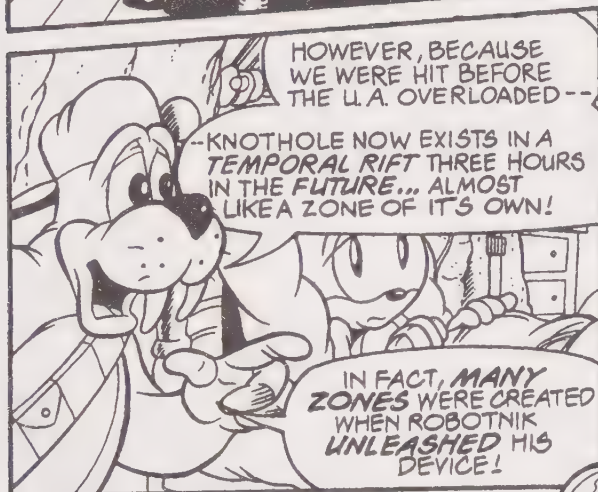
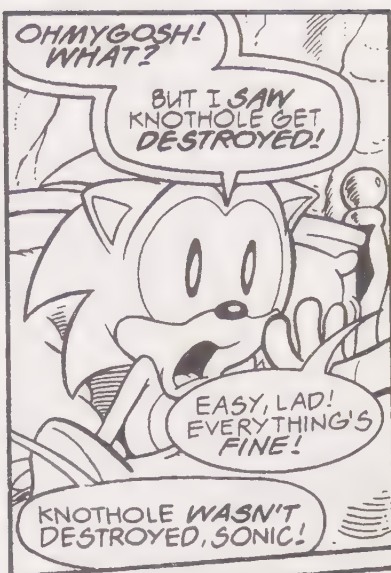
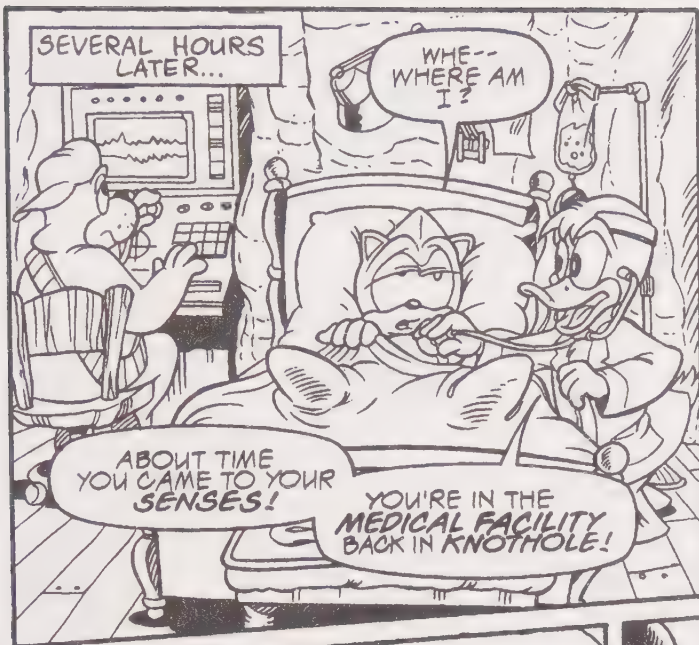


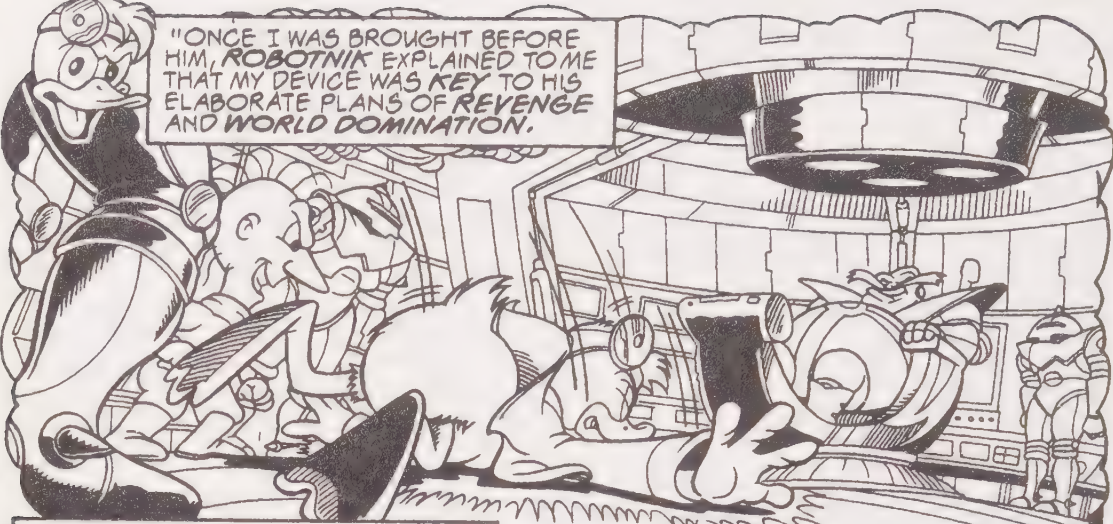




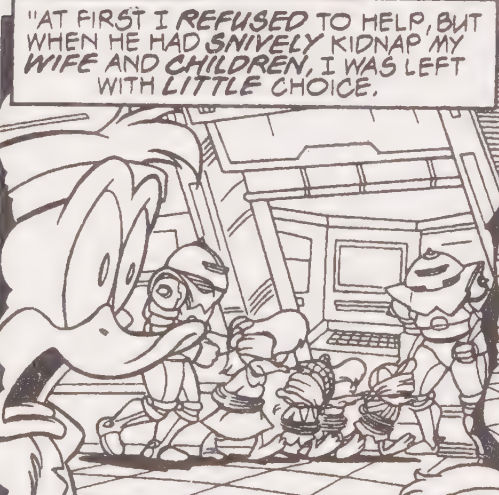










"ONCE I WAS BROUGHT BEFORE HIM, **ROBOTNIK** EXPLAINED TO ME THAT MY DEVICE WAS **KEY** TO HIS ELABORATE PLANS OF **REVENGE** AND **WORLD DOMINATION**.



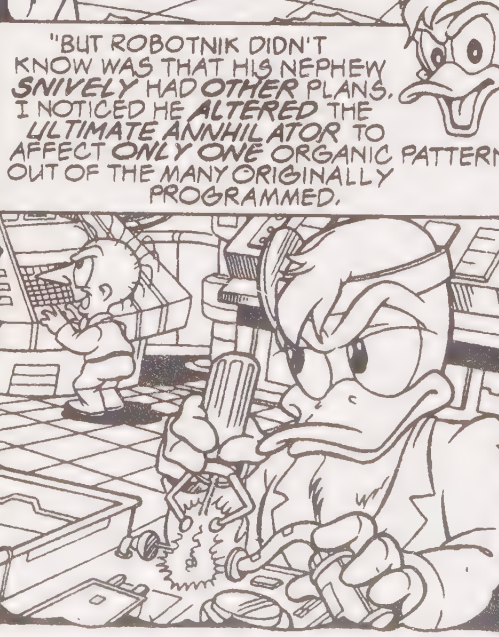
"AT FIRST I **REFUSED** TO **HELP**, BUT WHEN HE HAD **SNIVELY** **KIDNAP** MY **WIFE** AND **CHILDREN**, I WAS LEFT WITH **LITTLE CHOICE**.



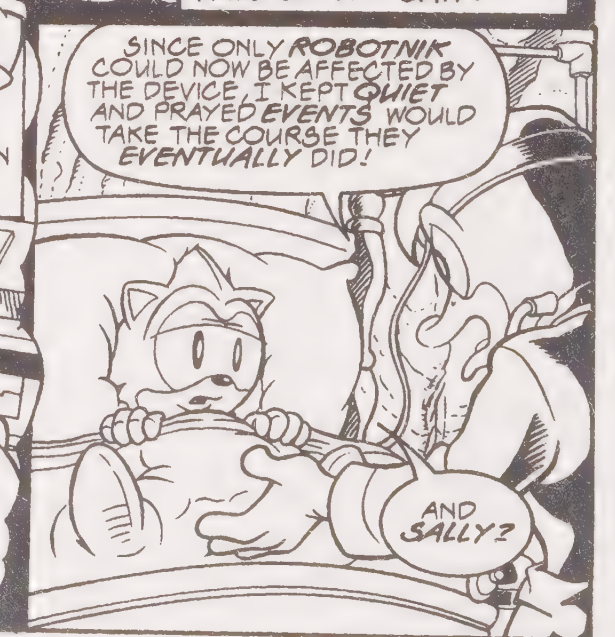
"SINCE HE WAS **AFRAID** YOU MIGHT **INTERFERE**, **ROBOTNIK** APPEALED TO **DRAGO'S GREED** AND **LUST** FOR THE **EASY LIFE**.



"IN TURN, **DRAGO** SET YOU UP USING **SALLY** AS THE **FALL GI--Er--BAIT!**



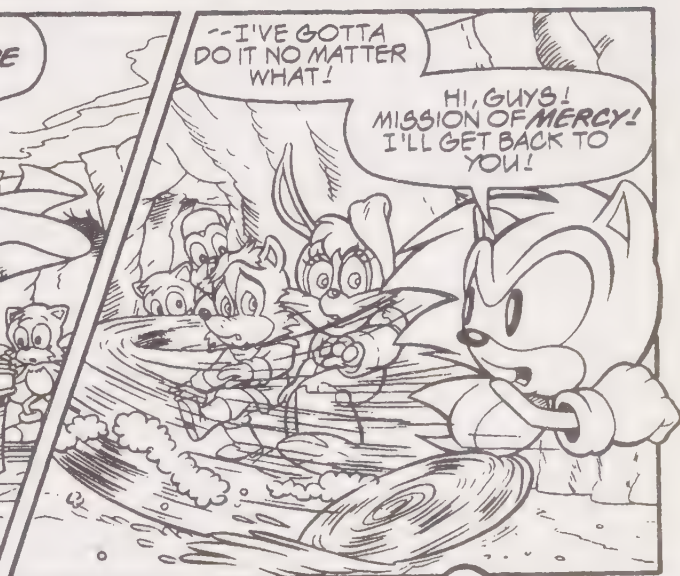
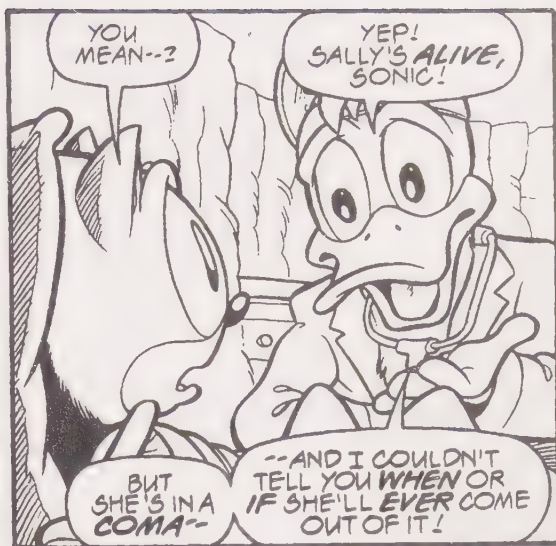
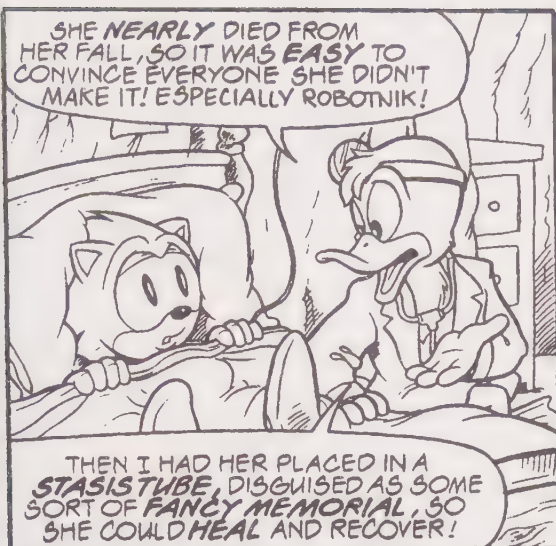
"BUT **ROBOTNIK** DIDN'T KNOW WAS THAT HIS NEPHEW **SNIVELY** HAD **OTHER PLANS**. I NOTICED HE **ALTERED** THE **ULTIMATE ANNIHILATOR** TO AFFECT **ONLY ONE** ORGANIC PATTERN OUT OF THE MANY ORIGINALLY PROGRAMMED.



SINCE ONLY **ROBOTNIK** COULD NOW BE AFFECTED BY THE DEVICE, I KEPT **QUIET** AND PRAYED **EVENTS** WOULD TAKE THE COURSE THEY **EVENTUALLY** DID!



AND **SALLY?**







I SAID--

I'M JUST
HAPPY TO SEE
YOU AGAIN!

AND SO, IT WASN'T LONG
BEFORE ORDER WAS RESTORED...

DOCTOR QUACK WAS EXONERATED
DUE TO EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES,
AND RESUMED LOOKING AFTER HIS
PATIENT, KING ACORN.

HERSHEY WAS FOR-
GIVEN FOR BEING
DRAGO'S DUPE.
SHE'S NOW A MODEL
CITIZEN AGAIN.

THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS WELCOMED BACK
THEIR FRIEND SONIC WITH WIDE OPEN ARMS
AND BEGAN PLANNING A BIG CELEBRATION.

MRS. QUACK AND THE
CHILDREN ARE DOING
FINE, THANK YOU.

GEOFFREY ST. JOHN WAS
REINSTATED AS COMMANDER
OF HIS MAJESTY'S SECRET
SERVICE. HE AWAITS HIS
NEXT MISSION.

DRAGO WAS SENTENCED TO THE
DEVIL'S GULAG. SOMETHING
ABOUT A COLD DAY IN A WARM
PLACE WAS MENTIONED AS TO
HOW LONG HIS SENTENCE
WOULD RUN.

AS FOR SNIVELY--
WELL, THAT'S ANOTHER
STORY FOR ANOTHER
DAY!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

PRESENTS:

An untold tale of ENDGAME

IT WAS A TIME OF CELEBRATION. THE MOBIAN
FREEDOM FIGHTERS HAD FINALLY ELIMINATED
THEIR LONG-TIME ENEMY, IVO ROBOTNIK. *

WAR STORIES WERE EXCHANGED, SUBTLE DETAILS
OF INDIVIDUAL VICTORIES WERE RECOUNTED. BUT
THE MOST ANTICIPATED NARRATIVE CAME FROM:

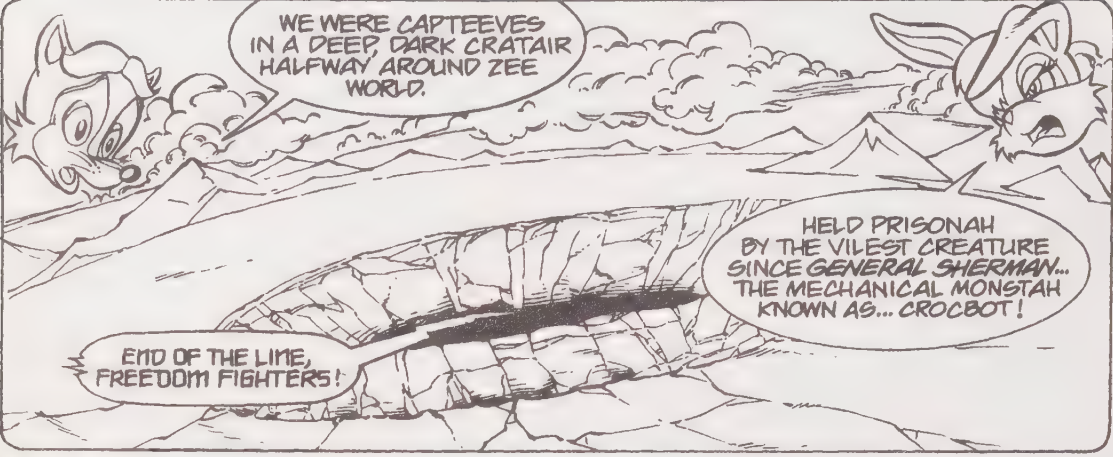
BUNNIE AND ANTOINE--
WE'VE WAITED LONG ENOUGH!
EVERYONE WANTS TO HEAR HOW YOU
TWO MANAGED TO ESCAPE FROM THE
DOWNUNDA PRISON CAMP.

YEAH--IF YOU
CAN STOP GOO-GOO
EYEING EACH OTHER LONG
ENOUGH TO TELL
THE STORY!

IT'D BE
OUR PLEASURE,
SUGAH!

Bunnie and Antoine in:
**DOWN & OUT IN
DOWNUNDA!**

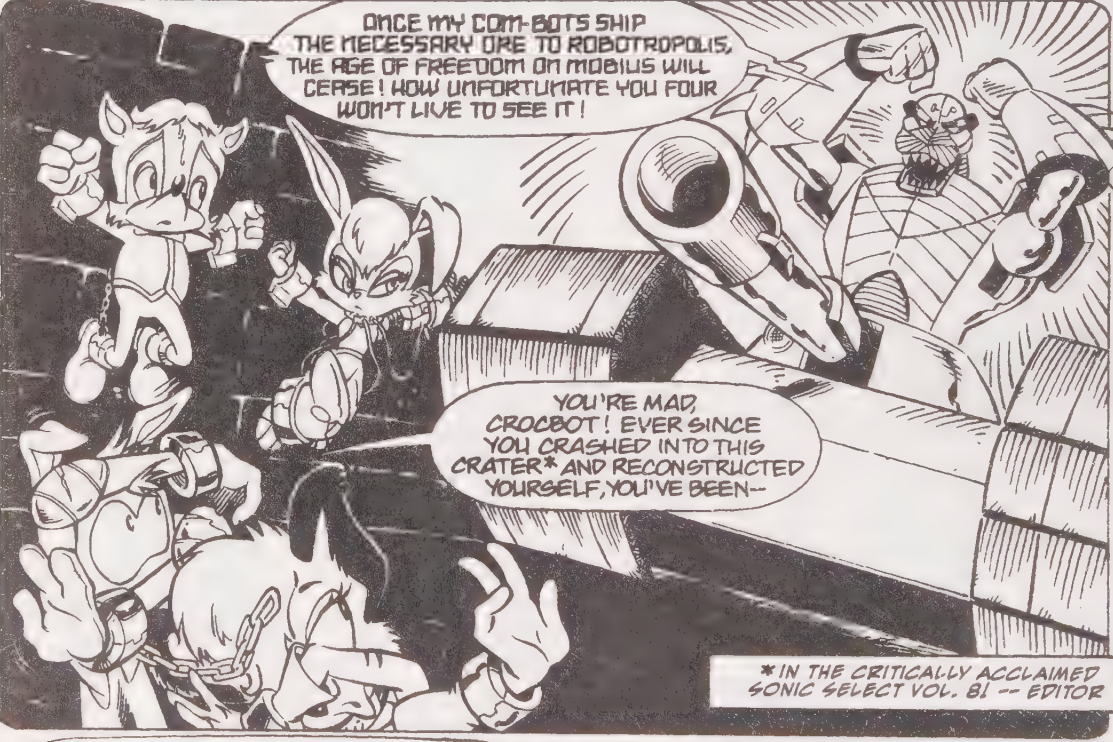
* THE EPIC ENDGAME
SPANNED 5TH #47-#50--
EDITOR



WE WERE CAPTEEVES
IN A DEEP DARK CRATAIR
HALFWAY AROUND ZEE
WORLD.

HELD PRISONAH
BY THE VILEST CREATURE
SINCE GENERAL SHERMAN...
THE MECHANICAL MONSTAH
KNOWN AS... CROCBOT!


END OF THE LINE,
FREEDOM FIGHTERS!



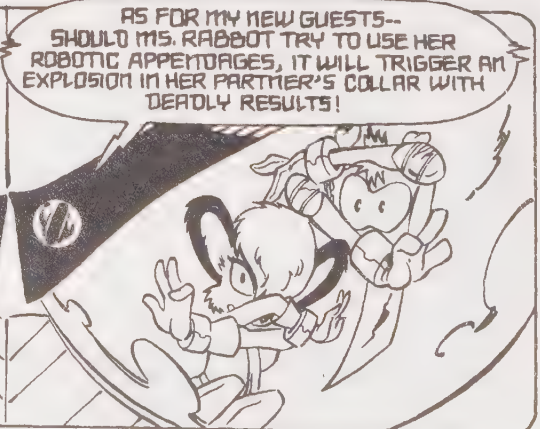
ONCE MY COM-BOTS SHIP
THE NECESSARY ORE TO ROBOTROPOLIS,
THE AGE OF FREEDOM ON MOBIUS WILL
CEASE! HOW UNFORTUNATE YOU FOUR
WOON'T LIVE TO SEE IT!

YOU'RE MAD,
CROCBOT! EVER SINCE
YOU CRASHED INTO THIS
CRATER* AND RECONSTRUCTED
YOURSELF, YOU'VE BEEN--

*IN THE CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED
SONIC SELECT VOL. 8! -- EDITOR



SILENCE! I HAVE ONLY BEGUN TO
REVENGE MYSELF UPON EVERYONE RESPONSIBLE
FOR THAT MOMENT... INCLUDING YOU AND YOUR
FELLOW DOWNHUMANS!



AS FOR MY NEW GUESTS--
SHOULD MRS. RABBIT TRY TO USE HER
ROBOTIC APPENDAGES, IT WILL TRIGGER AN
EXPLOSION IN HER PARTNER'S COLLAR WITH
DEADLY RESULTS!

THAT ROBO-REPTILE MAY HAVE ALREADY
KILLED OUR TEAMMATES GURUEMLI, DUCK
"BILL" PLATYPUS AND WOMBAT STU--
AND IT'S ALL MY FAULT!

GO EASY ON
YOURSELF, WALT.
NONE OF US
SAW CROCBOT'S
AMBUSH. *

DON'T DWELL ON ZEE PAST.
WORRY ABOUT ZEE PRESENT, LIKE ME!
BUNNIE, MUST YOU TEMPT FATE BY
TRYING TO BREAK FREE?

* SEEN BRIEFLY
IN STH #49--
EDITOR

TAKE IT EASY, SLUGAH...

...AH WOULDN'T RISK YO'
PRETTY HL' HEAD.Y'SEE, GATOR
BOY'S BOTS WERE SO WORRIED
ABOUT MAH BIONIC PARTS, THEY
NEGLECTED MAH REAL
ARM--

-A MISTAKE
THEY'LL LIVE TO
REGRET!

SCHLP!

CAREFUL,
BUNNIE--

Hmm... AH DON'T
SEE ANY WAY TO GET
THIS THING OFFA YOU
WITHOUT A SET OF
SHARP TOOLS.

YOU
MEAN LIKE
THESE CLAWS
OF MINE?

SNIK!
SNIK!

BUNNIE--NO!
DON'T FOOL WEETH
ZEE COLLAR!

HOLD
STILL... IF AH
CAN JUST--

CELL-GUARD-CALLING-
CROCBOT-KNOTHOLE-
PRISONER'S-COLLAR-
HAS-BEEN-DETONATED,
DESTROYING-ALL-
FOUR-IMMATES.

CHK
DOOOOM!

TOO BAD. I WAS
LOOKING FORWARD TO
TORTURING THEM. OH WELL,
I STILL HAVE THE OTHER
THREE LEFT!

VERY WELL--
REPORT TO THE
LOADING DOCK.

AT-ONCE.

AH
DON'T THINK
SO...

THIRTY SECONDS AND ONE LESS COM-BOT LATER:

CROCBOT SAID HE STILL HAD "THE OTHER THREE"—THAT MEANS OUR TEAMMATES ARE STILL ALIVE!

LET'S FIND THEM!

AND THEN WE'LL BE ZEE ONES HEADED FOR ZEE LOADING DOCK FOR A RENDEZVOUS WEETH THAT SCOUNDREL!

HEADS UP, Y'ALL--MORE COM-BOT GUARDS UP AHEAD!



FAR OUT--WE'RE OUT!

I KNEW THESE WALLS COULDN'T HOLD US FOR LONG!

HI--I'M WOMBAT STU.

SAVE ZEE INTRODUCTIONS AND CONGRATULATIONS UNTIL AFTAR WE HAVE DEALT WEETH--



CROCBOT! LOADING-PROCEDURE-ON-SCHEDULE. AIRBUS-WILL-BE-PREPARED-TO-DEPART-FOR-ROBOTROPOLIS-VERY-SOON.

YOU'RE HALF RIGHT, COM-BOT COMMANDER. THE SHIP MAY BE LOADED WITH ORE, BUT IT'S NOT READY TO LEAVE YET.

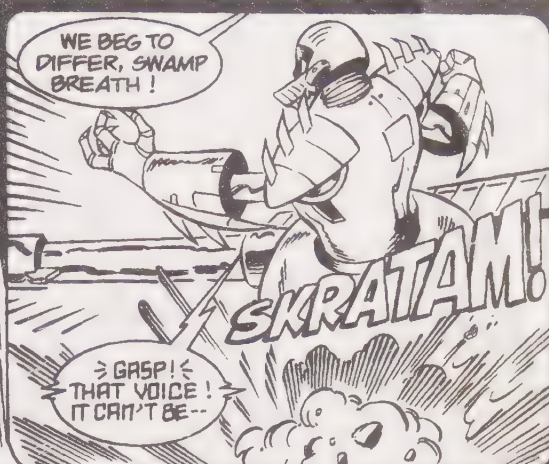
NOT UNTIL THIS MOST PRECIOUS PIECE OF CARGO IS PLACED ON BOARD...

...A MINIATURE THERMO-NUCLEAR TIMEBOMB!



REMEMBER TO INSTALL THAT
DEVICE IN ROBOTNIK'S WAR ROOM!
IT'LL BLOW HIM AND HIS BELOVED
ULTIMATE AMMUNITION AWAY,
PAVING THE WAY FOR ME TO TAKE
OVER MOBIUS.

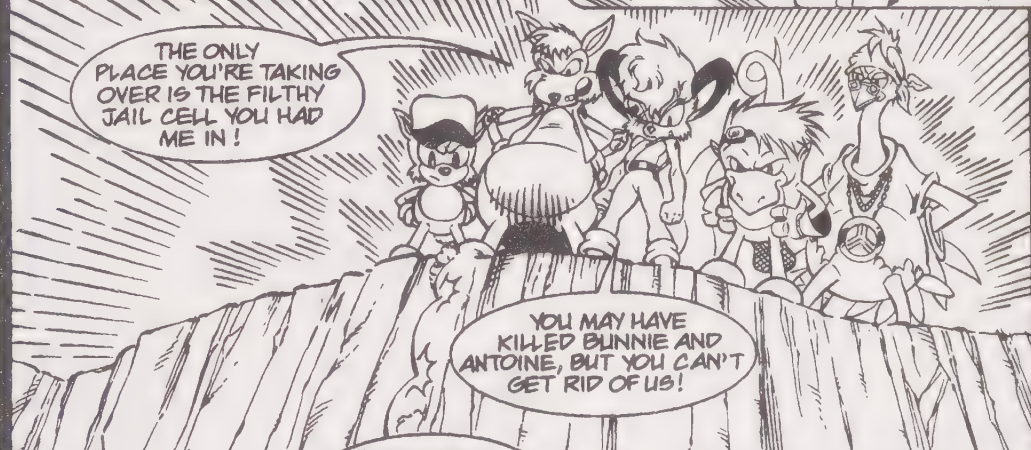
AS YOU
COMMAND,
CROCBOT!



WE BEG TO
DIFFER, SWAMP
BREATH!

SKRATAM!

≥ GASP! ≤
THAT VOICE!
IT CAN'T BE--

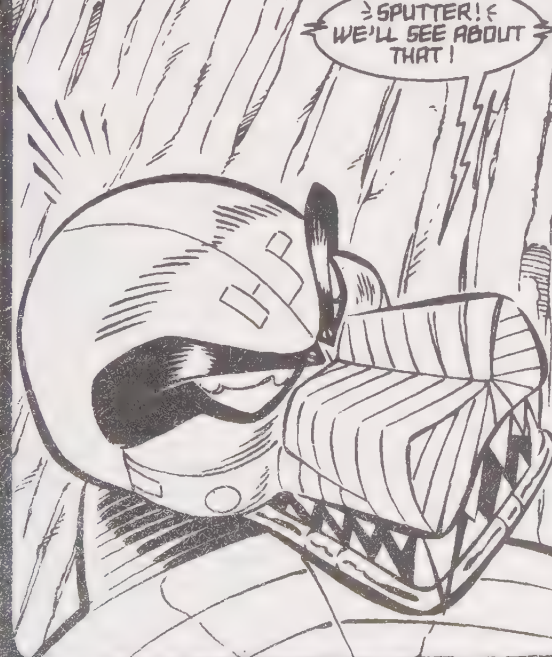


THE ONLY
PLACE YOU'RE TAKING
OVER IS THE FILTHY
JAIL CELL YOU HAD
ME IN!

YOU MAY HAVE
KILLED BUNNIE AND
ANTOINE, BUT YOU CAN'T
GET RID OF US!

≥ SPUTTER! ≤
WE'LL SEE ABOUT
THAT!

COMBOT-COMMANDER--
SET SAIL FOR ROBOTROPOLIS!
ALL YOU OTHERS ATTACK THOSE
FREEDOM FIGHTERS!



OKAY, WE'LL
DELIBERATELY LAY
OFF THE AIRBUS SO
YOU TWO CAN SNEAK
ABOARD!

EXCELLENT!
THIS WAY, WE'LL RETURN
HOME AND HELP ZEE
OTHERS DEFEAT ROBOTNEEK
AND AVENGEE PREENCESS
SALLY!

NICE
WORKIN'
WITH Y'ALL--
BYE NOW!



♪ SIGH ♪
WHAT EVER
HAPPENED TO
'PEACE AND
LOVE?'

NO PROBLEM--
WE LOVE TO SMASH
THESE 'BOTS TO
PIECES!

♪ TOK! ♪
NOW WHO'D BE
CALLING ME AT A
TIME LIKE
THIS?

I'VE ROBOTNIK IN
ROBOTROPOLIS CALLING
CROCBOT'S CRATER IN DOWNLINDA...
COME IN CROCBOT!


WHAT?! LOOK,
I'M DEALING WITH AN
UPRISING HERE AT THE
PRISON CAMP! THE
MINERAL ORE WE'VE
MINED IS ALREADY ON
ITS WAY TO YOU!

Ahhh...
THAT'S ALL I WANTED
TO KNOW--ROBOTNIK OVER
AND OUT!



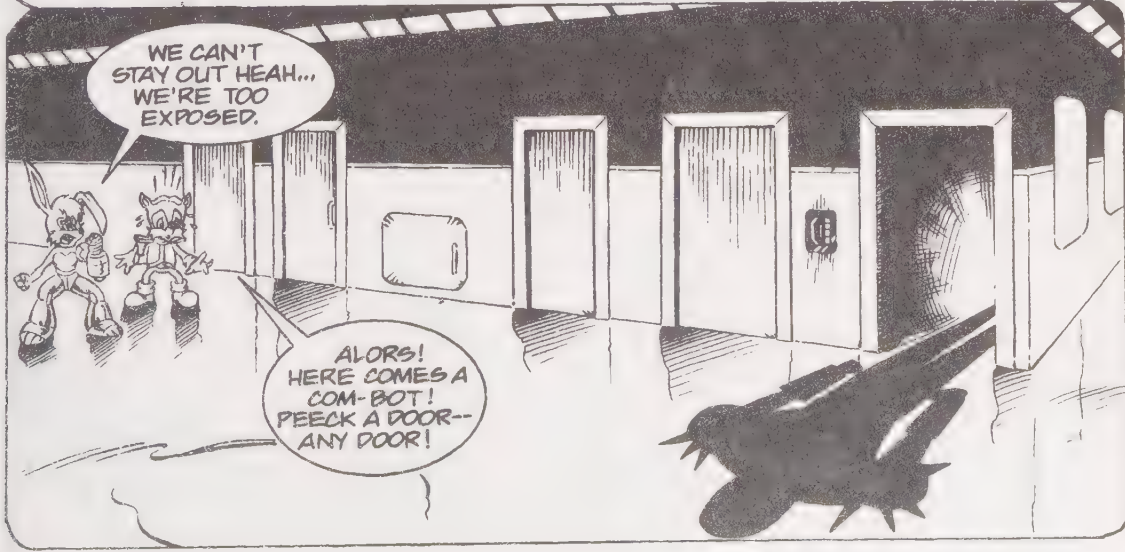
AH GOT IT!

GOOD JOB...
I HOPE ZEE DOWNLUNDA
FREEDOM FIGHTERS
MANAGE TO OVERCOME ZAT
FIEND, CROCBOT.



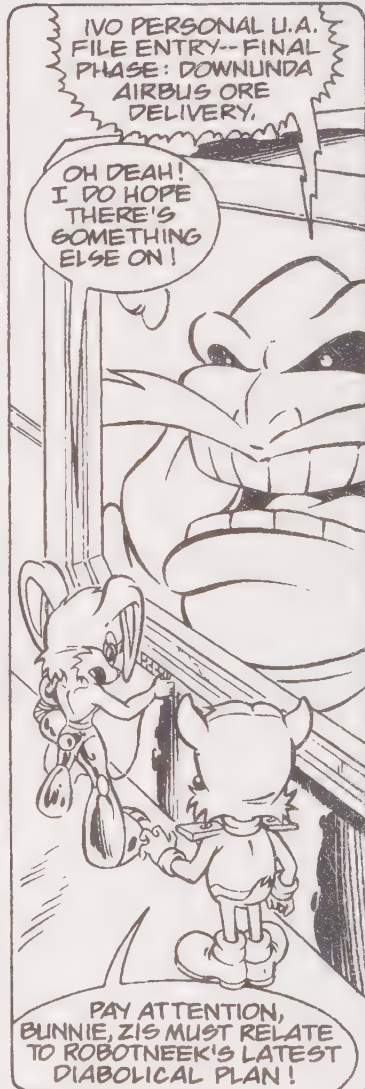
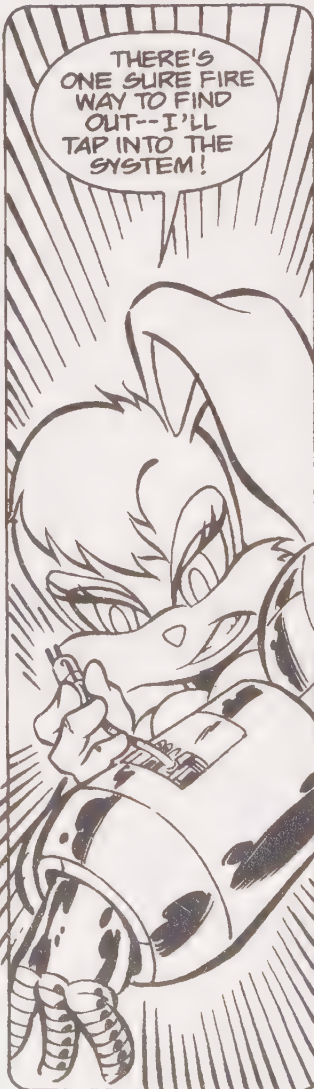
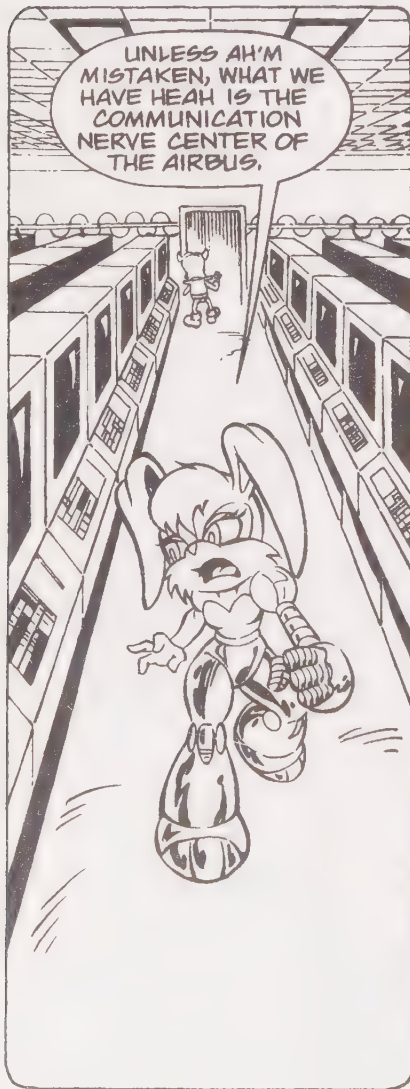
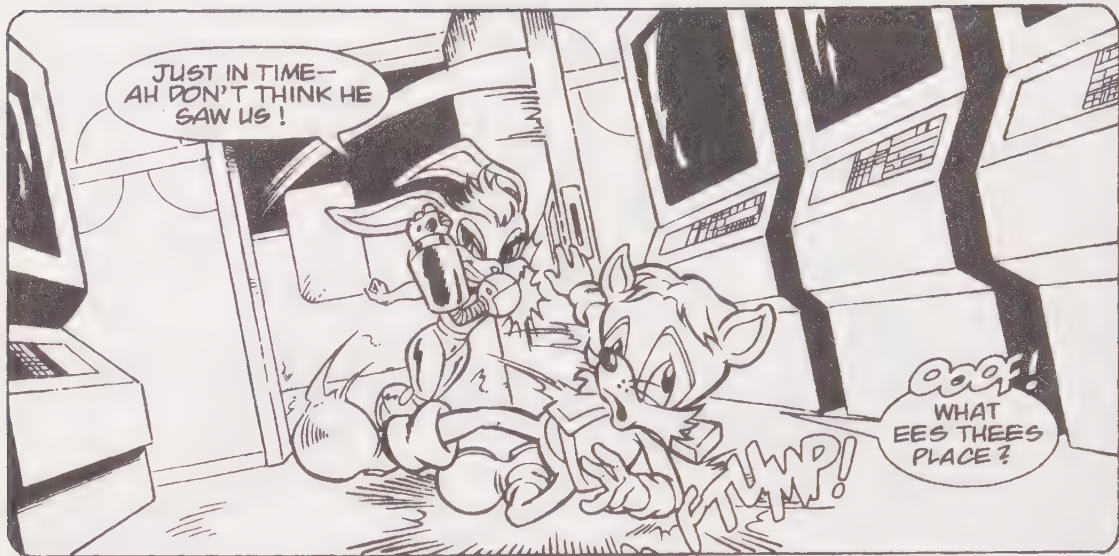
AH'M SURE THEY'LL
BE FINE. WE-LINS GOT
OUR OWN PROBLEMS--
IN YOU GO!

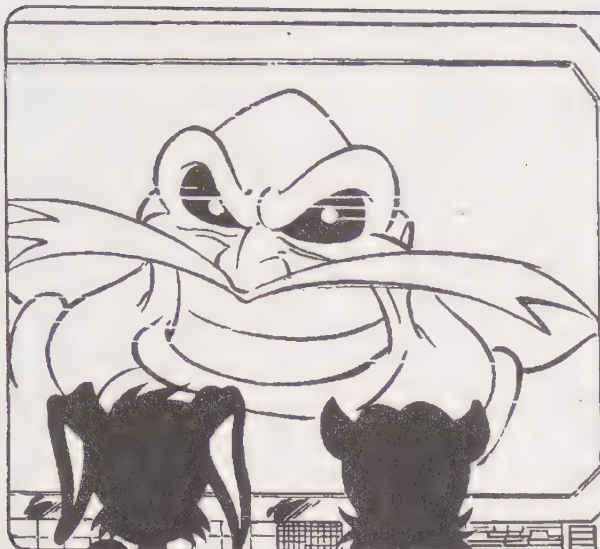
RIGHT
YOU ARE,
BUNNIE!



WE CAN'T
STAY OUT HEAH...
WE'RE TOO
EXPOSED.

ALORS!
HERE COMES A
COM-BOT!
PEECK A DOOR--
ANY DOOR!





MY ENTIRE LIFE HAS BEEN BUILDING UP TO THIS MOMENT. THE IRRADIATED ORE MINED IN DOWNLUNDA IS ON ITS WAY TO ROBOTROPOLIS. IT IS THE MOST CRUCIAL ELEMENT NEEDED TO ACTIVATE THE ULTIMATE ANNIHILATOR!

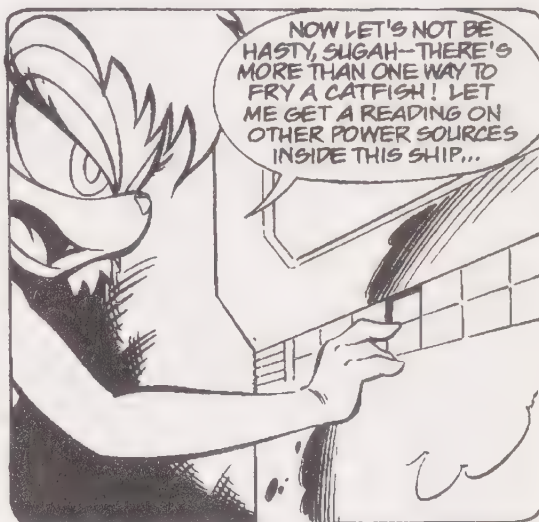
OF ALL THE MASS DESTRUCTION CREATIONS DURING MY ILLUSTRIOUS CAREER, THE U.A. IS BY FAR THE MOST DEADLY. ONCE OPERATIONAL, I SHALL UNLEASH ITS INDESCRIBABLE POWER ON THE VILLAGE OF KNOTHOLE, WIPING IT OUT OF EXISTENCE FOREVER!

AFTER THAT, EVERY LIVING CREATURE ON MOBIUS WILL FALL BEFORE MY ROBOTNIK! HOO HOO... HAHAHA HAAA-A-A!

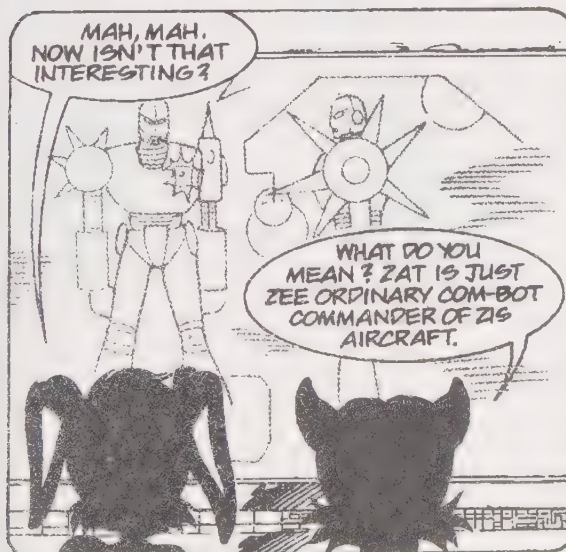


NO WAY WE'RE LETTIN' OVE BLUBBERBOLTS DO THAT!

AGREED, BUNNIE--EVEN EEF EET MEANS BLOWING UP ZIS AIRBUS WEETH US ON IT!

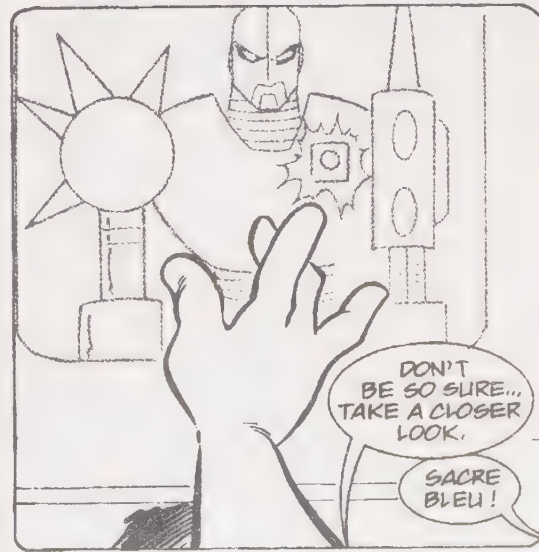


NOW LET'S NOT BE HASTY, SUGAH--THERE'S MORE THAN ONE WAY TO FRY A CATFISH! LET ME GET A READING ON OTHER POWER SOURCES INSIDE THIS SHIP...



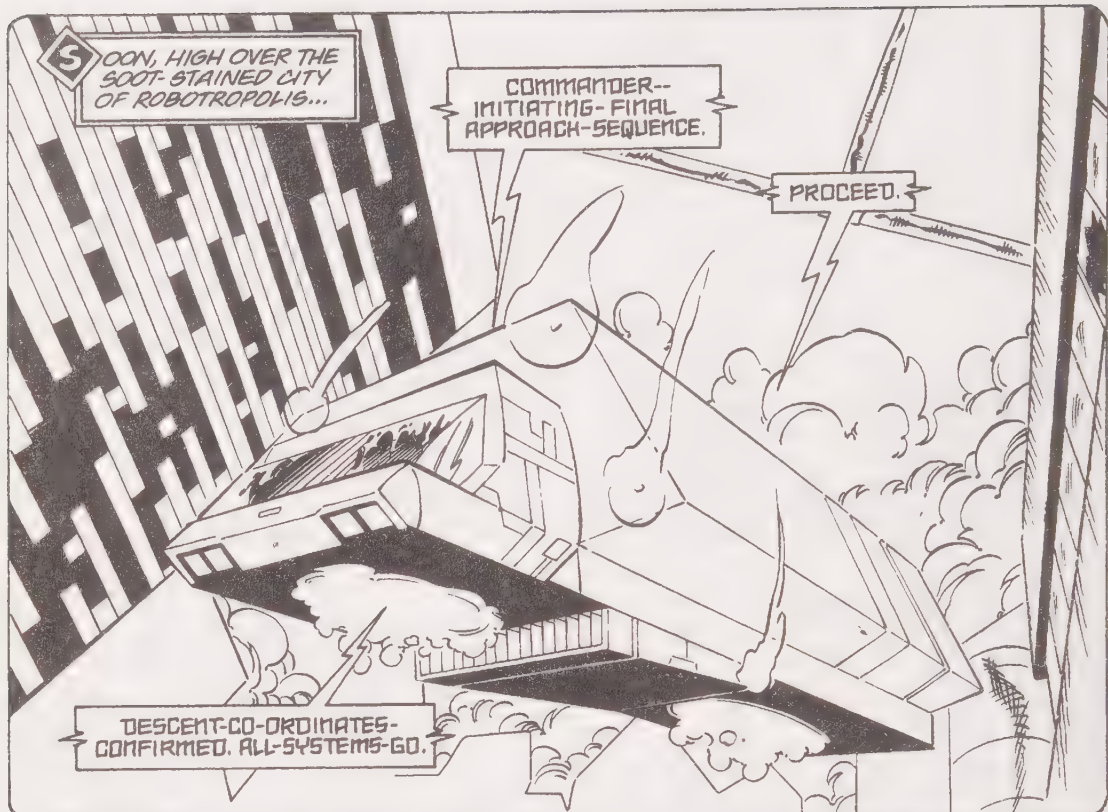
MAH, MAH. NOW ISN'T THAT INTERESTING?

WHAT DO YOU MEAN? ZAT IS JUST ZEE ORDINARY COM-BOT COMMANDER OF ZIS AIRCRAFT.



DON'T BE SO SURE... TAKE A CLOSER LOOK.

SACRE BLEU!

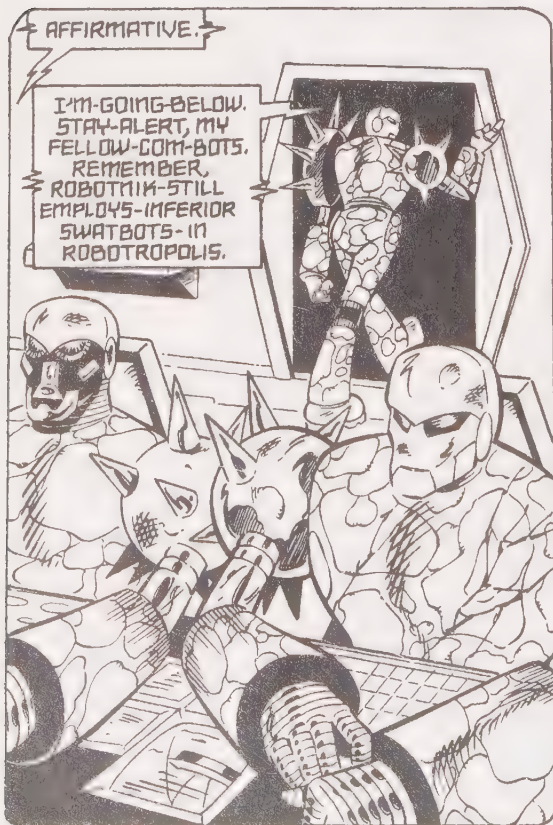


SOON, HIGH OVER THE
SOOT-STAINED CITY
OF ROBOTROPOLIS...

COMMANDER--
INITIATING-FINAL
APPROACH-SEQUENCE.

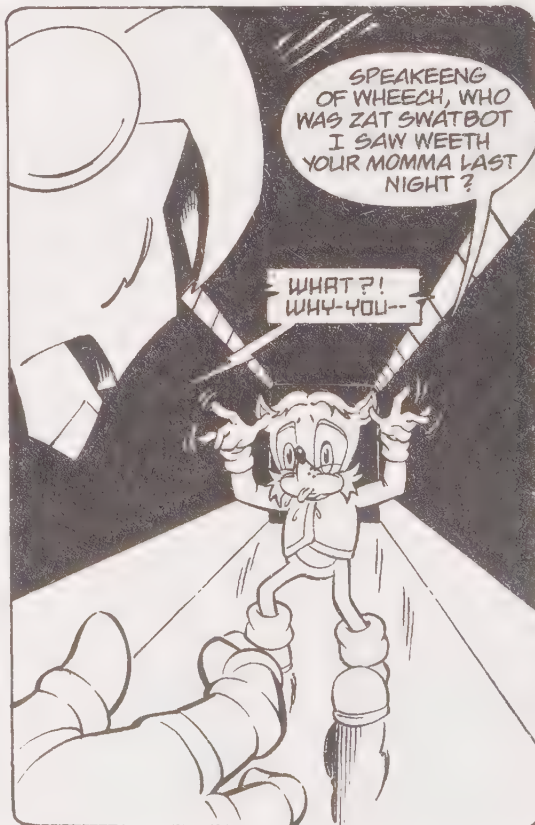
PROCEED.

DESCENT-CO-ORDINATES-
CONFIRMED. ALL-SYSTEMS-GO.



AFFIRMATIVE.

I'M-GOING-BELOW.
STAY-ALERT, MY
FELLOW-COM-BOTS.
REMEMBER,
ROBOTNIK-STILL
EMPLOYS-INFERIOR
SWATBOTS-IN
ROBOTROPOLIS.



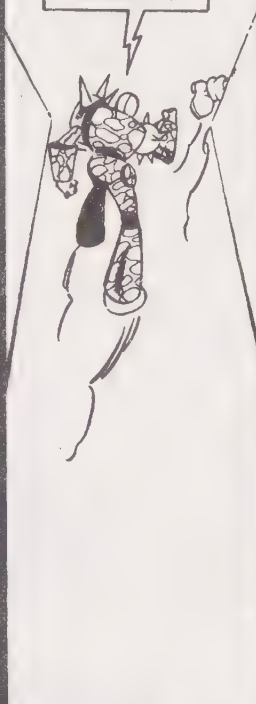
SPEAKEENG
OF WHEECH, WHO
WAS ZAT SWATBOT
I SAW WEETH
YOUR MOMMA LAST
NIGHT?

WHAT?!
WHY-YOU--

MAH-NYAH!
CAN'T CATCH
ME!

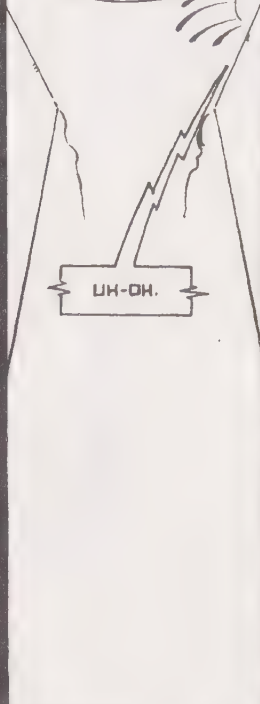


WE'LL SEE
ABOUT THAT,
FURBALL!



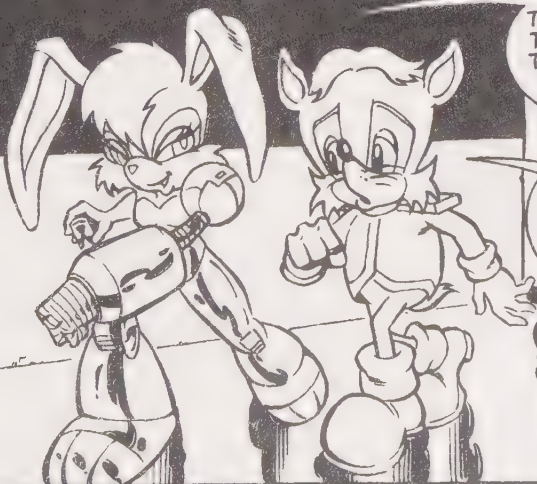
WHO Y'ALL
CALLING FURBALL,
TINTOP?

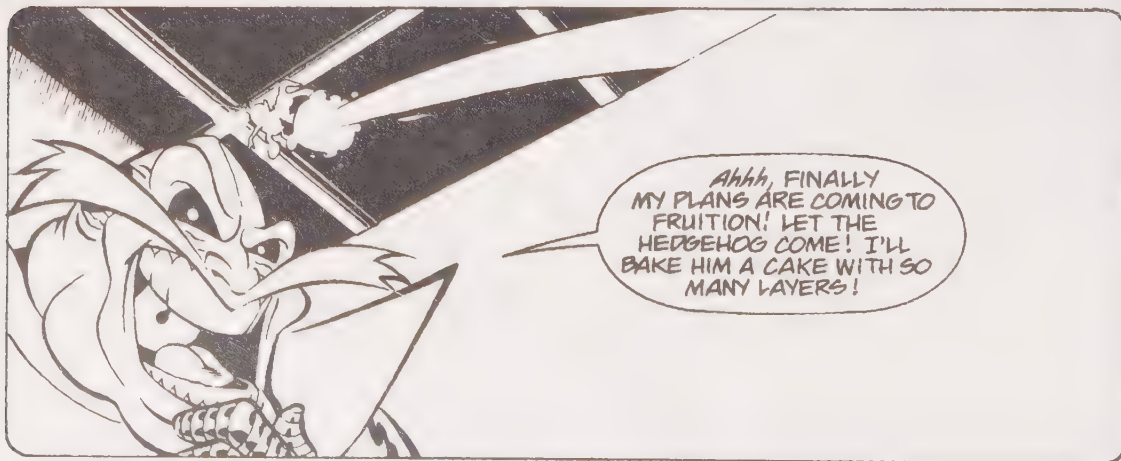
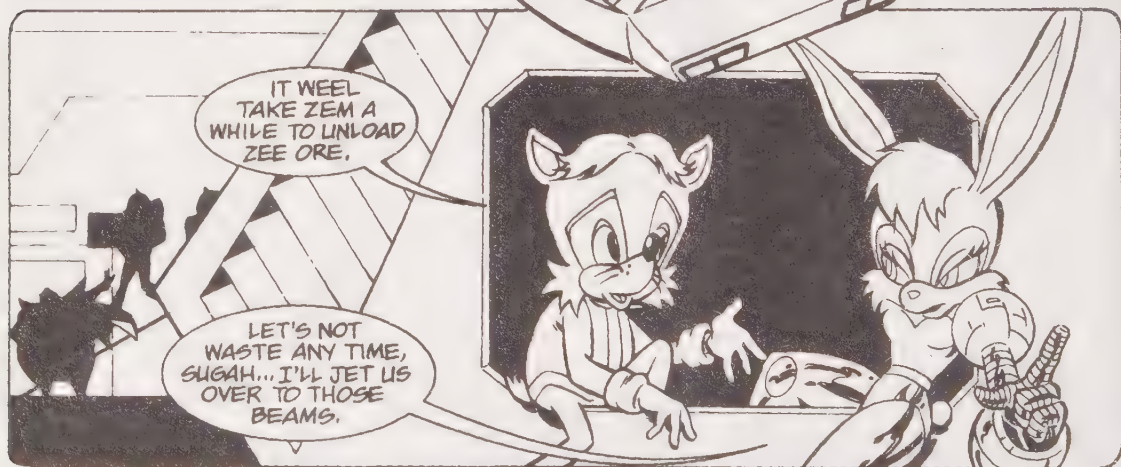
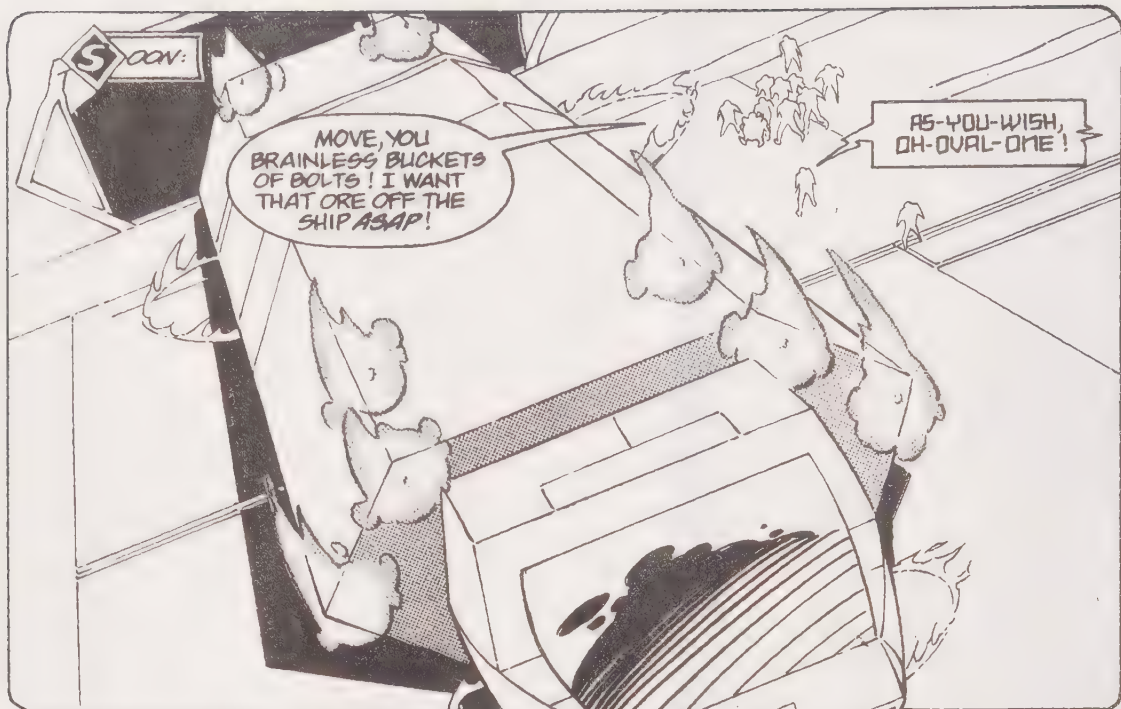
UH-OH.

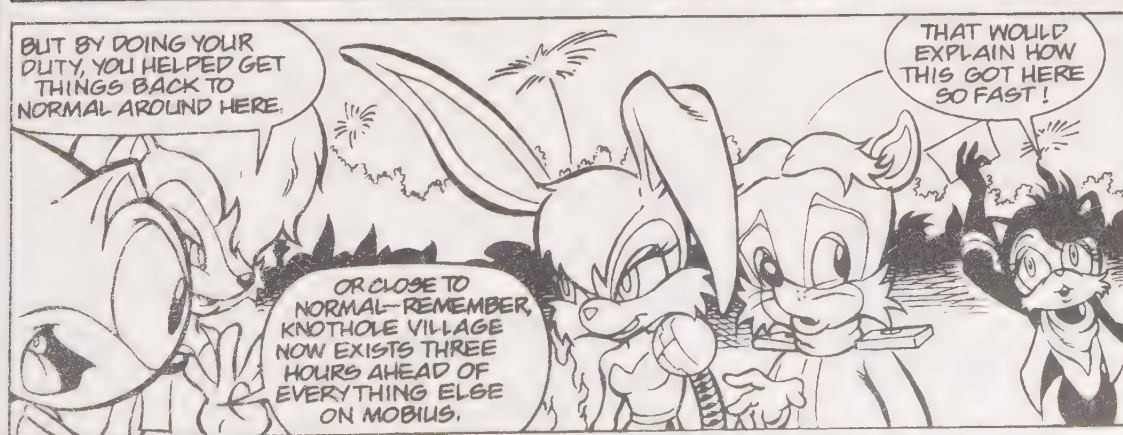


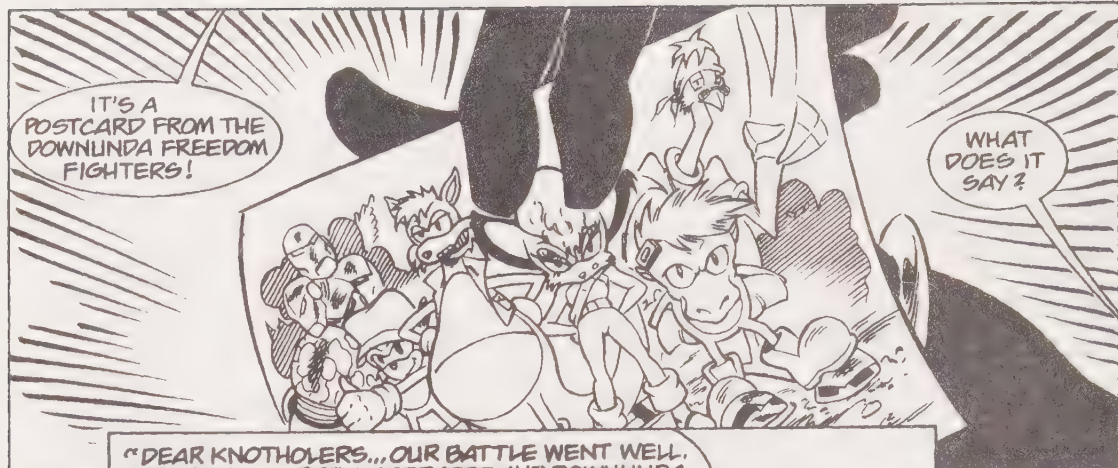
HOW GENEROUS OF
THAT COM-BOT COMMANDER
TO DONATE THIS LIL' OLE
THERMO-NUCLEAR TIMEBOMB
HE WAS CARRYING TO
OUR CAUSE!

OUI! ONCE
THEES SHIP DOCKS,
WE'LL INSTALL IT IN
ROBOTNEEK'S CONTROL
ROOM. HE'LL NEVAIR
ACTIVATE ZAT ULTIMATE
ANNIHILATOR!

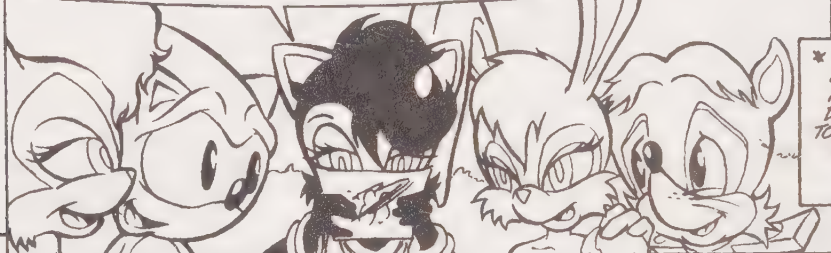




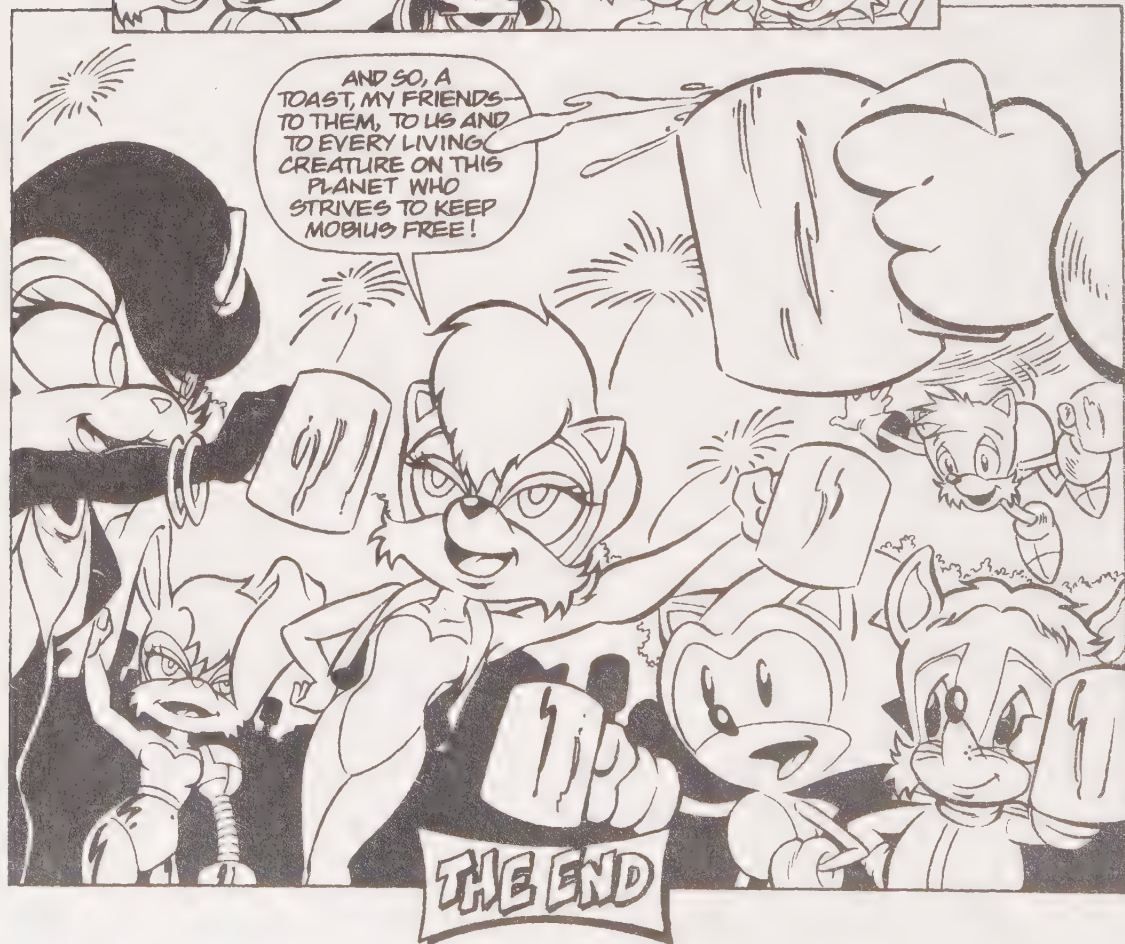




"DEAR KNOTHOLERS... OUR BATTLE WENT WELL. CROCBOT HAS BEEN DEFEATED AND DOWNLUNDA HAS BEEN LIBERATED. MANY THANKS TO BUNNIE AND ANTOINE FOR ALL THEIR HELP. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!* FONDLY, THE D.F.F."



* WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE MORE OF THE D.F.F.? WRITE TO SONIC-GRAMS AND LET US KNOW! -- EDITOR.



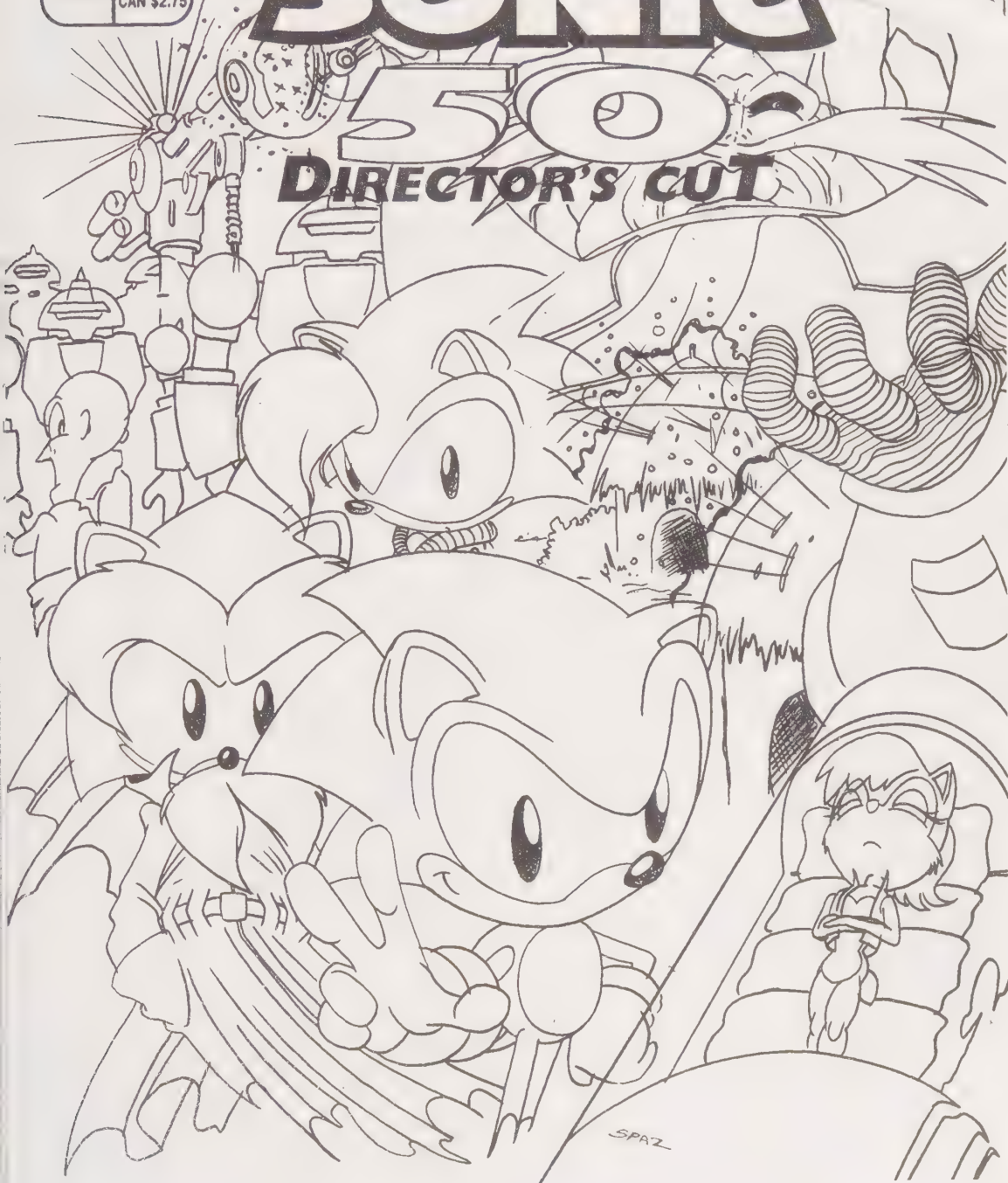
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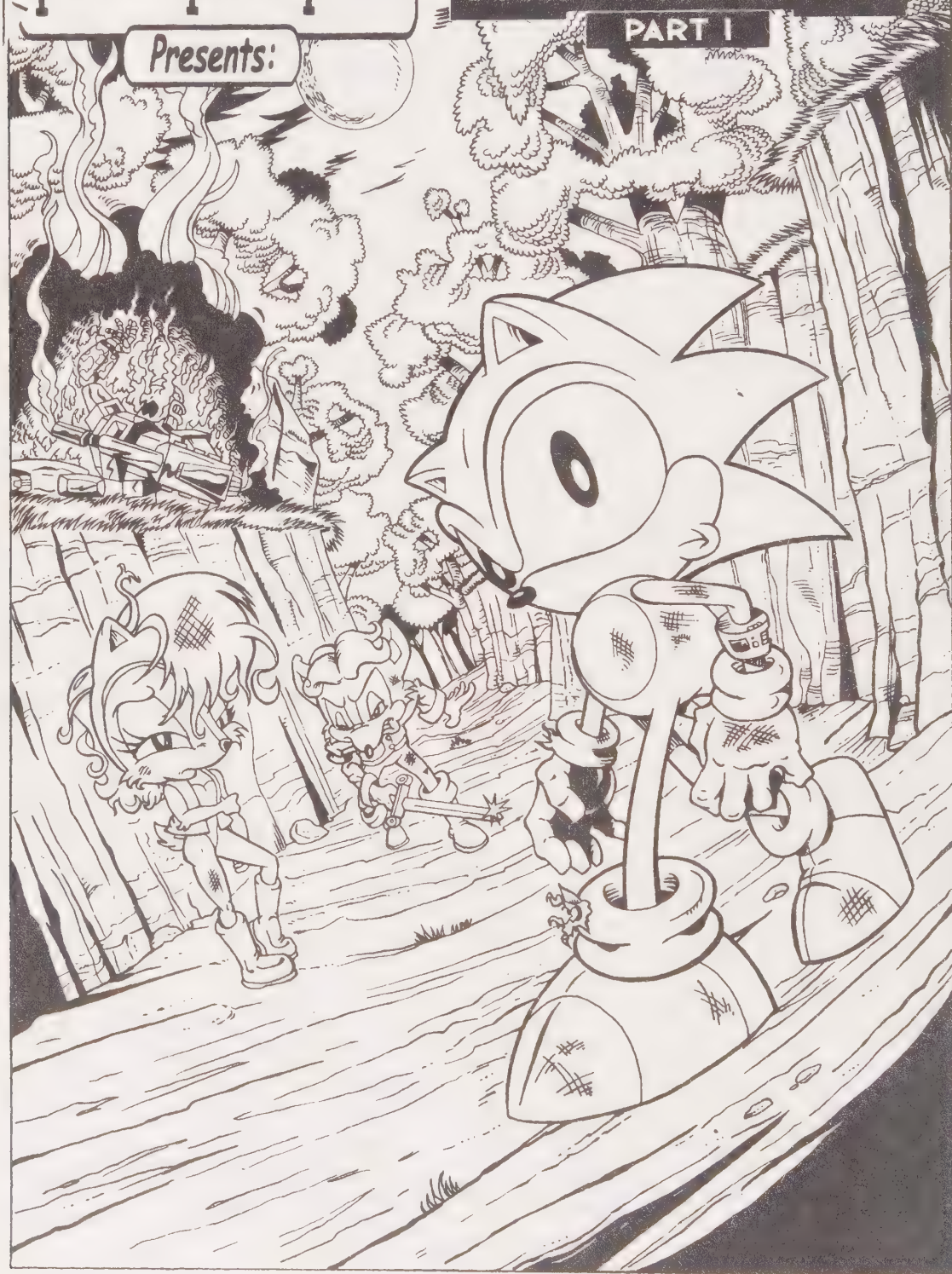
IT'S
POSTCARP
DOWN!!
FIGHT

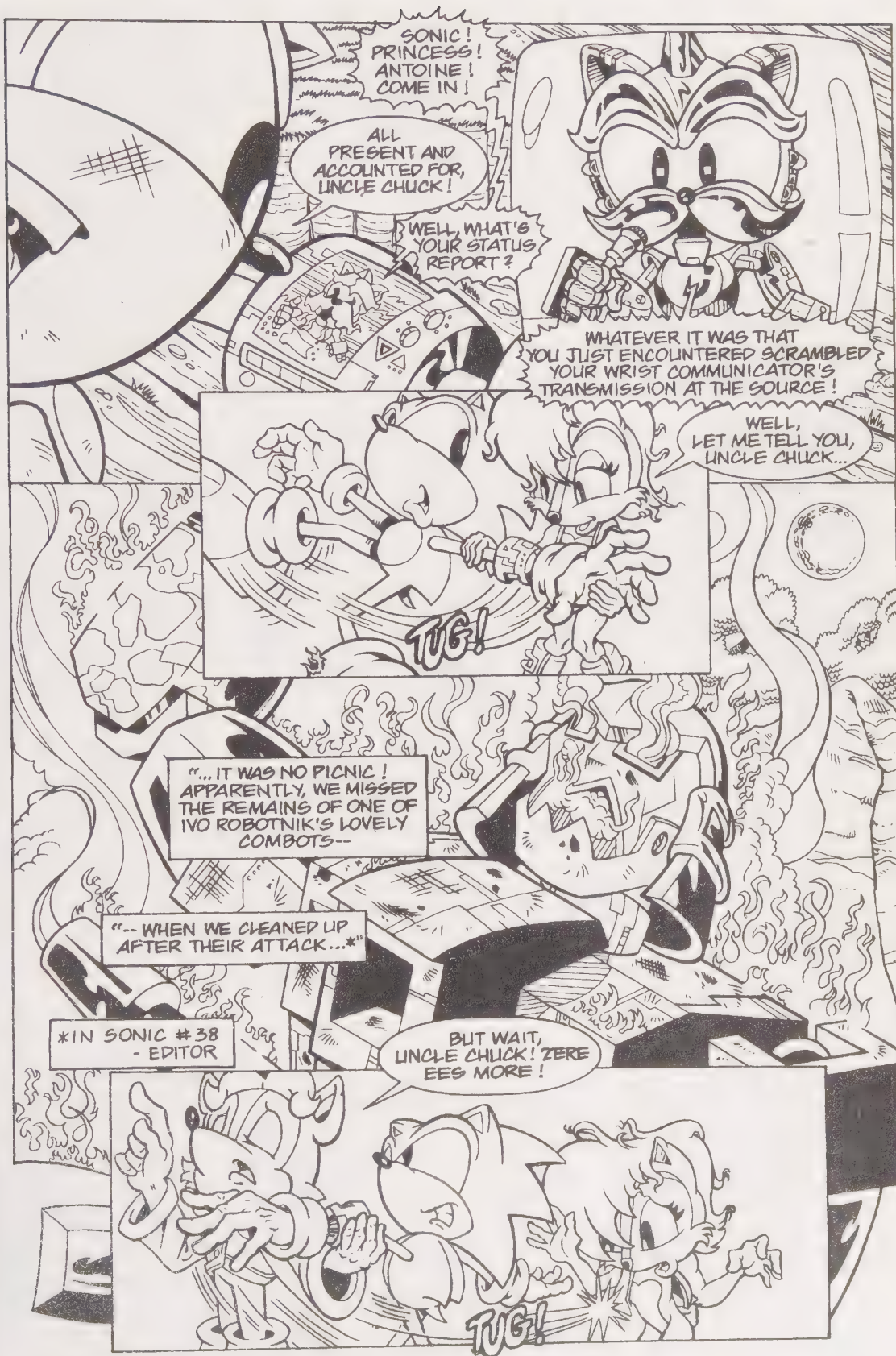
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Presents:

TOTAL RE: GENESIS

PART I





SONIC!
PRINCESS!
ANTOINE!
COME IN!

ALL
PRESENT AND
ACCOUNTED FOR,
UNCLE CHUCK!

WELL, WHAT'S
YOUR STATUS
REPORT?

WHATEVER IT WAS THAT
YOU JUST ENCOUNTERED SCRAMBLED
YOUR WRIST COMMUNICATOR'S
TRANSMISSION AT THE SOURCE!

WELL,
LET ME TELL YOU,
UNCLE CHUCK...

TUG!

"...IT WAS NO PICNIC!
APPARENTLY, WE MISSED
THE REMAINS OF ONE OF
IVO ROBOTNIK'S LOVELY
COMBOTS--

"-- WHEN WE CLEANED UP
AFTER THEIR ATTACK..."

*IN SONIC #38
- EDITOR

BUT WAIT,
UNCLE CHUCK! ZERE
EES MORE!

TUG!

"THEES MECHANICAL MERCENARY
MUST 'AVE 'AD SOME SORT OF
BACK-UP POWER GENERATOR..."

"...ZAT CAUSED
IT TO GO
BACK ON-LINE!"

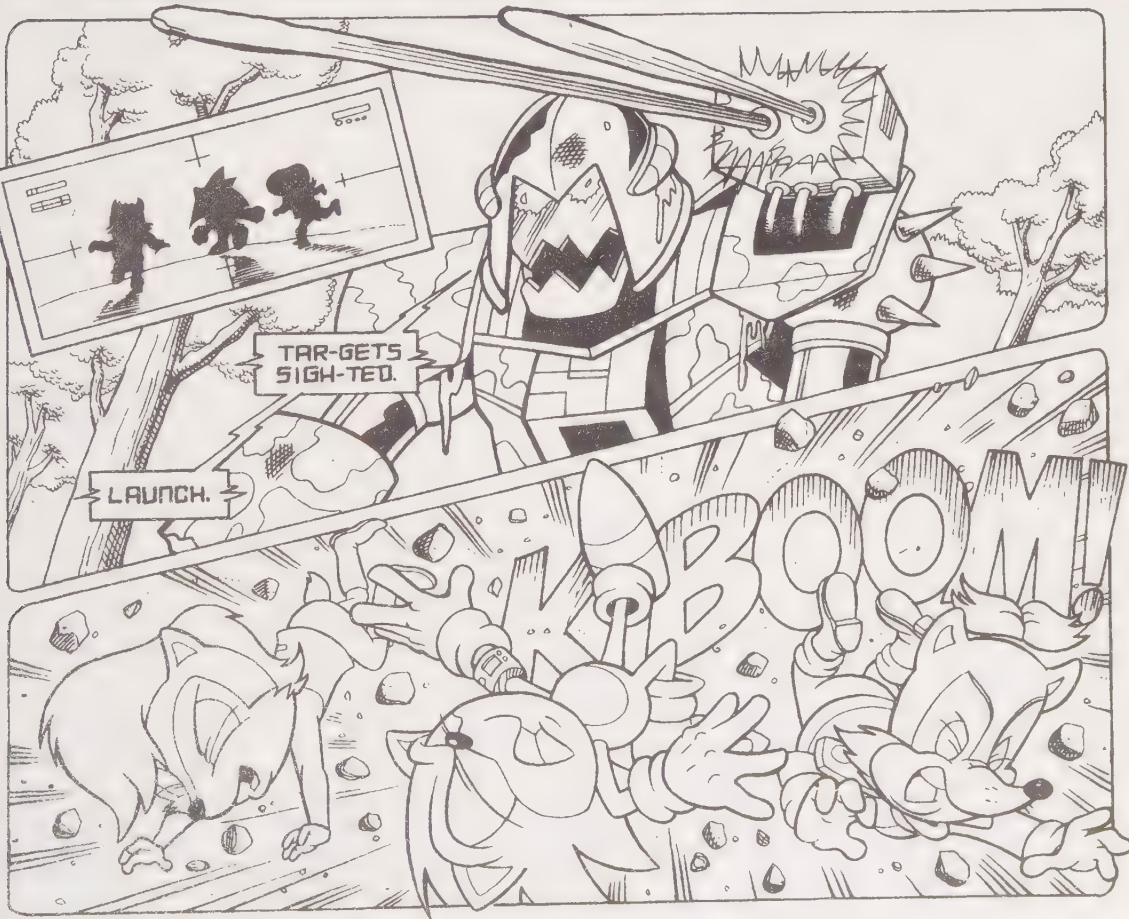
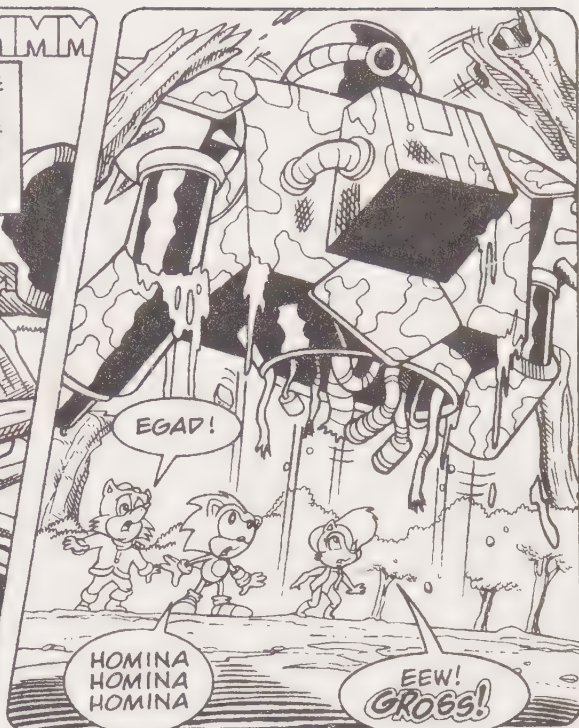
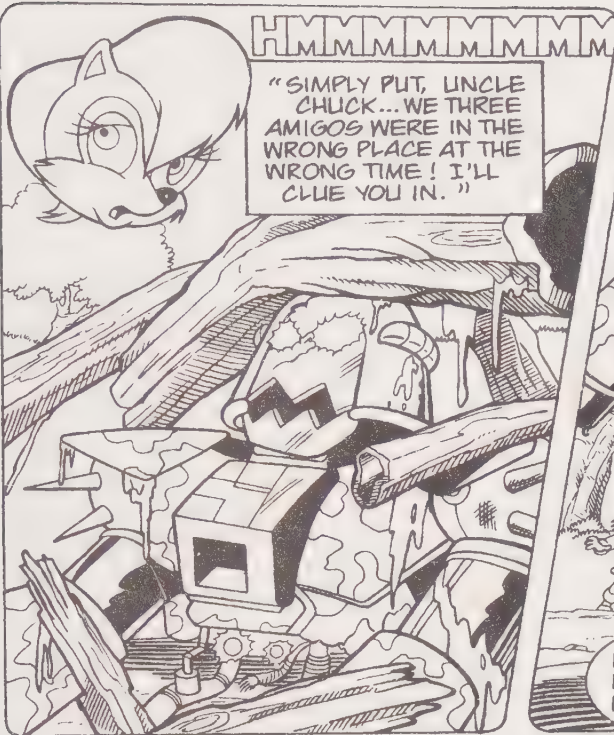
THEES ROBOTNIK, HE
WAS VERY CLEVER...

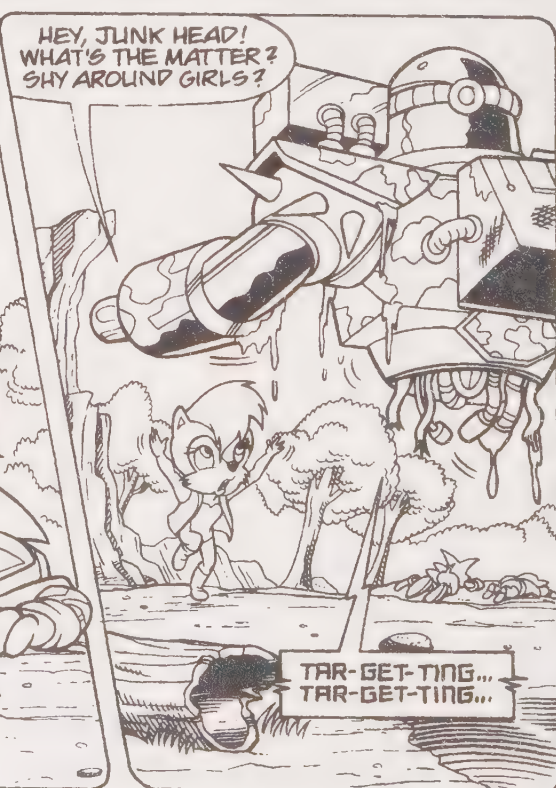
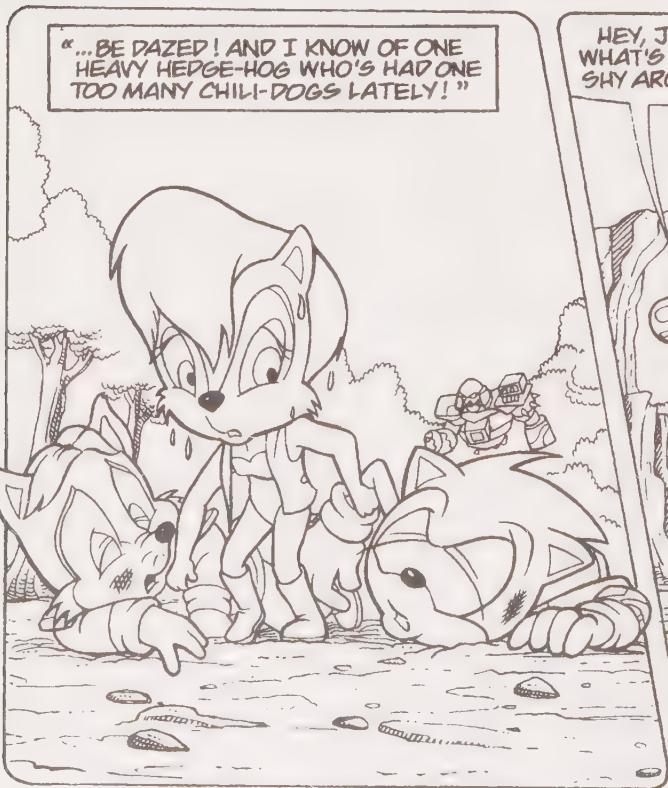
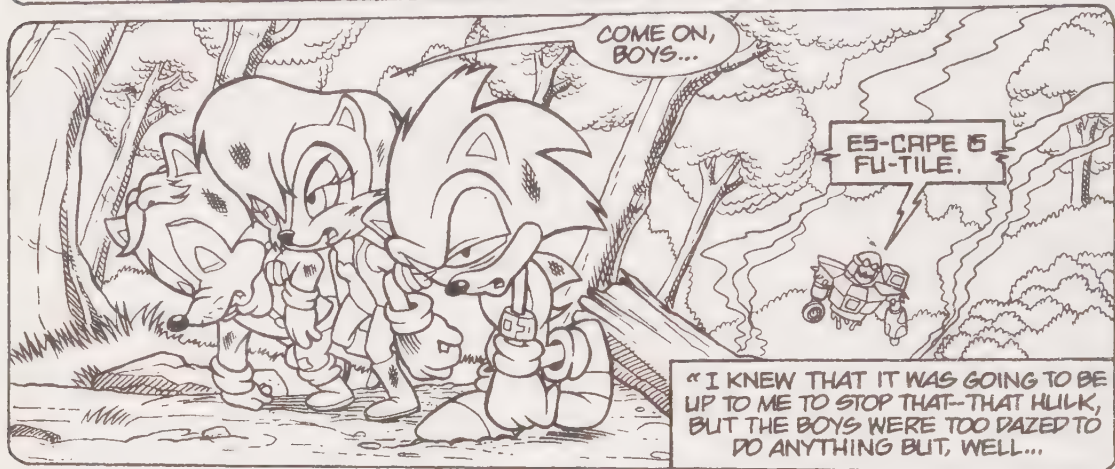
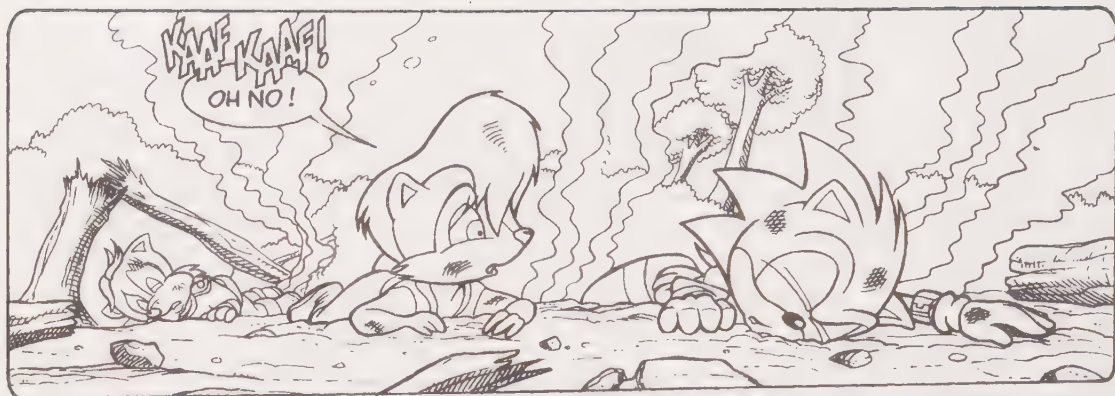
YOU COULD
ALSO SAY HE WAS
A JERK!

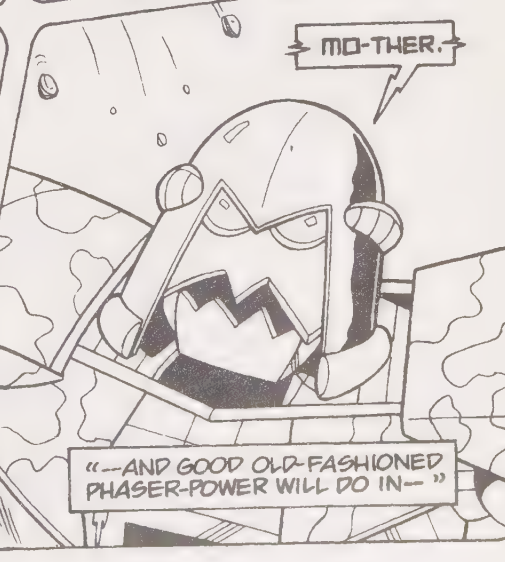
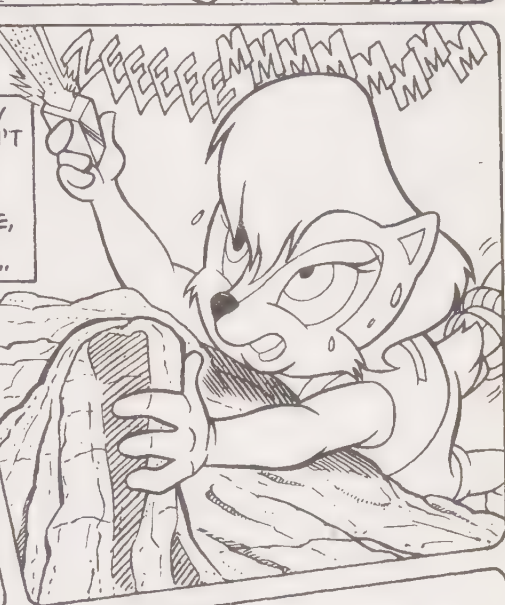
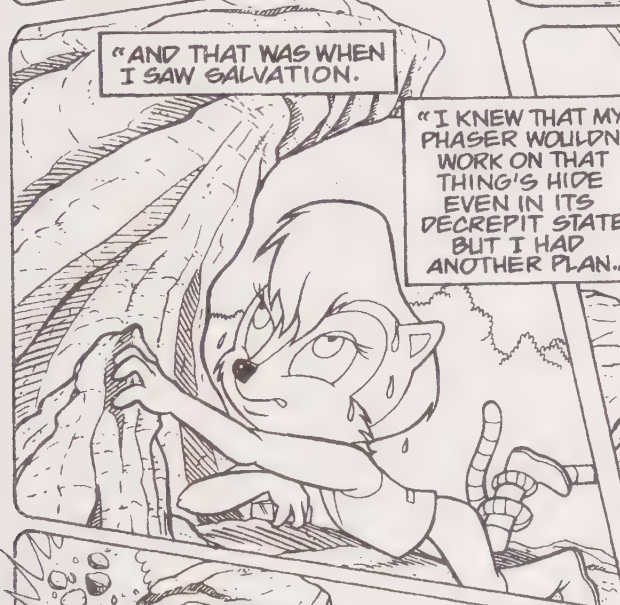
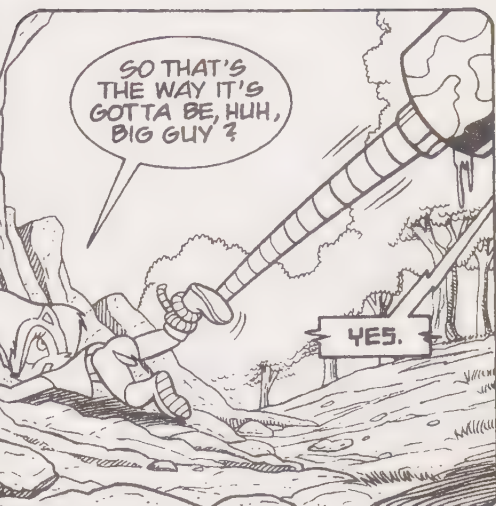
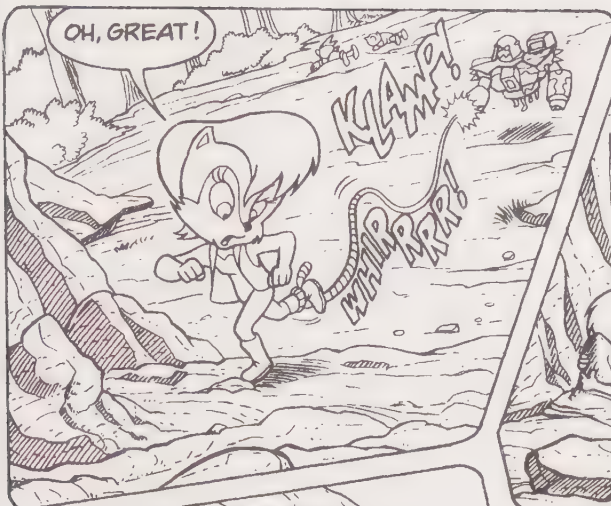
"THE ENERGY SIGNATURE THAT
YOUR GIZMOS DETECTED
EARLIER COMING FROM OUT
HERE IN THE WOODS--"

--WAS COMING
FROM ROBOTNIK'S
REACTIVATED WEAPON OF
DESTRUCTION!

"SURE WISH OUR SORRY
BUTTS HAD KNOWN THAT
BEFORE WE CAME OUT
HERE TO INVESTIGATE!"







NOW JUST
WAIT ONE
SECOND!

"WHAT?!"

UNCLE CHUCK, I
BELIEVE ZEE PRINCESS
IS STILL ABIT WOZZY
FROM ZEE BATTLE!

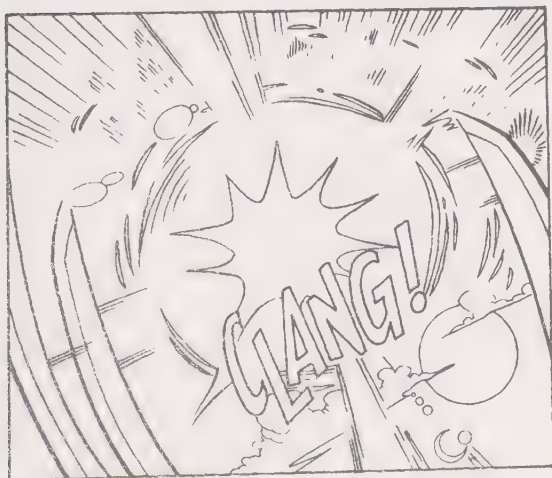
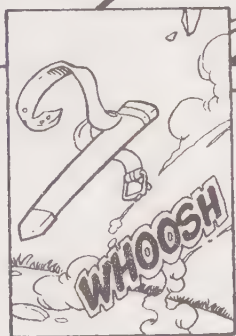
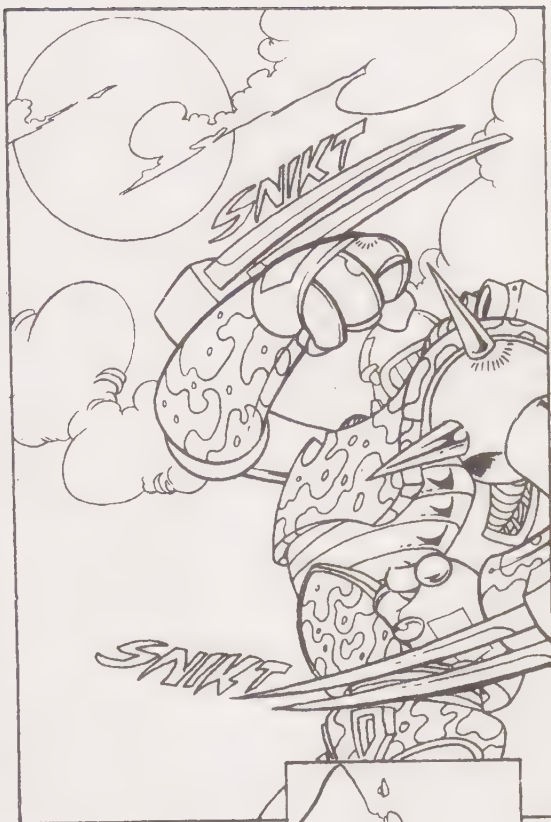
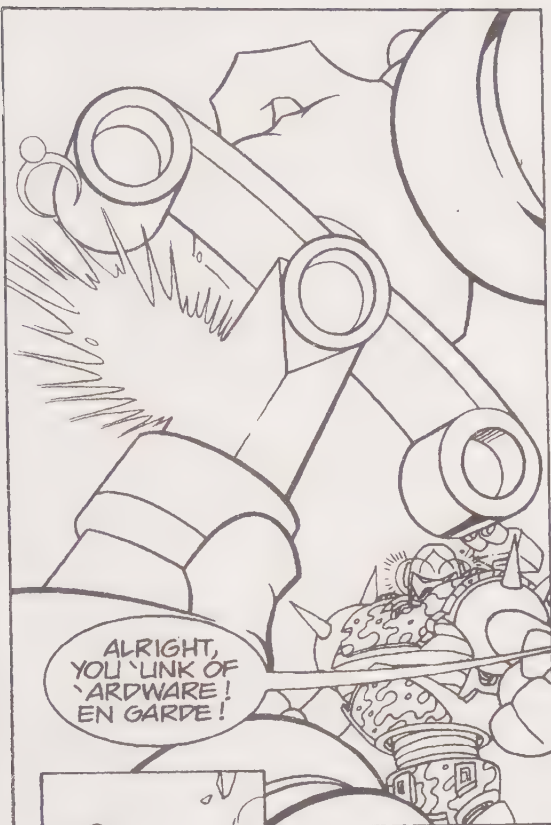
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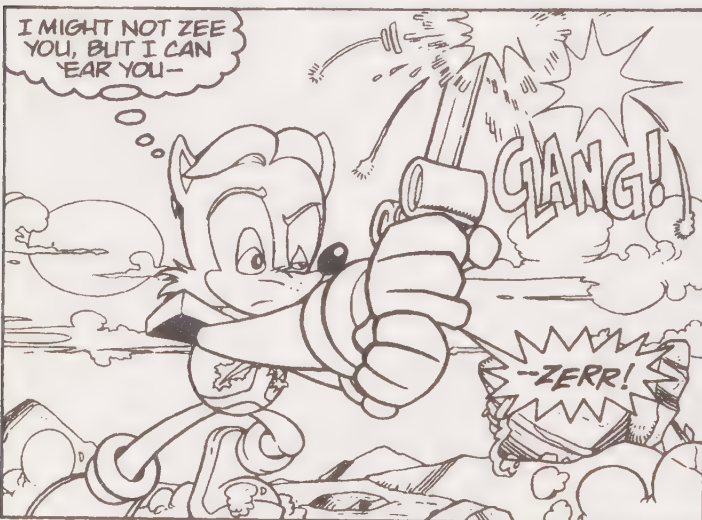
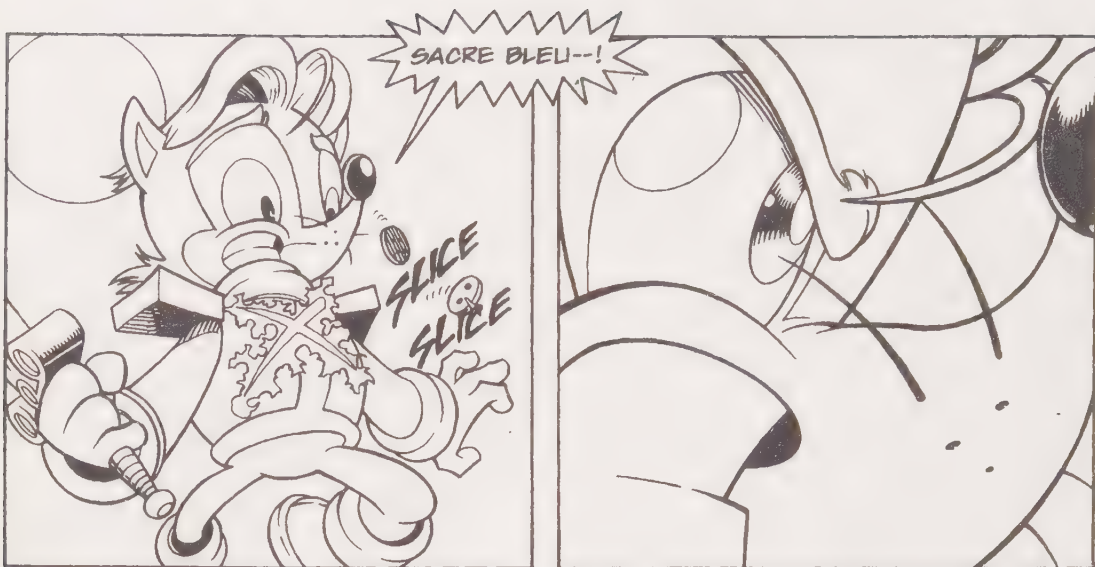
PART 2

"WHY, IT HAPPENED
LIKE THEES!

KABOOM!!

"FOR ONE THING, THE
COMBOT STILL HAD
LEGS..."





WOULD YOU MIND
TAKING A CHILL PILL,
'PRINCE OF THIEVES'--

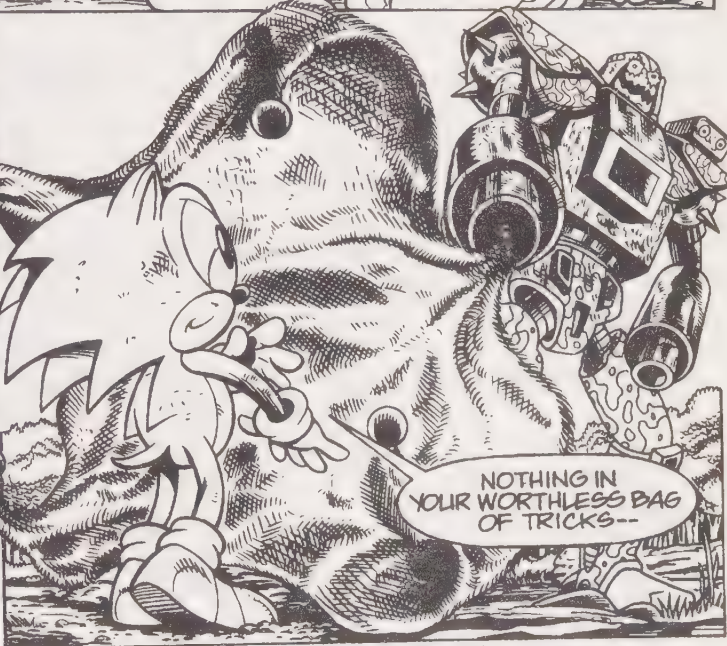
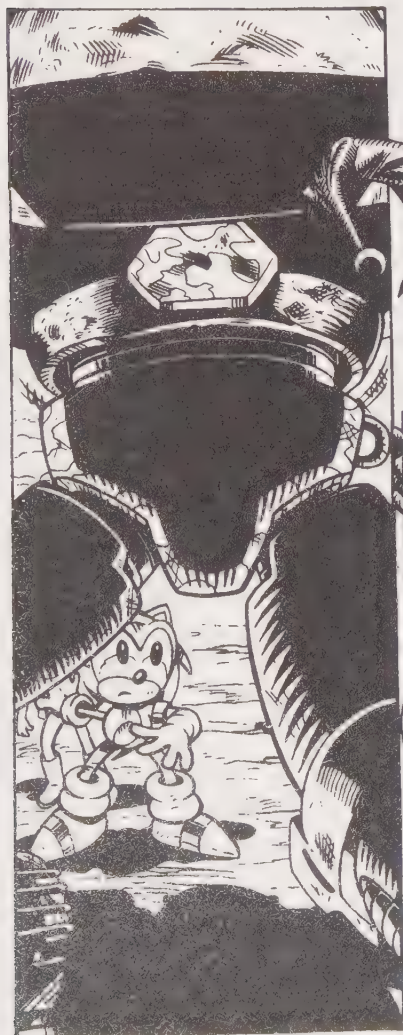
--SO
I CAN TELL MY
UNCLE WHAT REALLY
HAPPENED?

TOTAL
RE: GENESIS

PART 3

SONIC!
WHAT ARE
WE EVER TO
DO?

SAVE US,
OH SONIC!
SAVE US, OH WAY
PAST COOL
ONE!

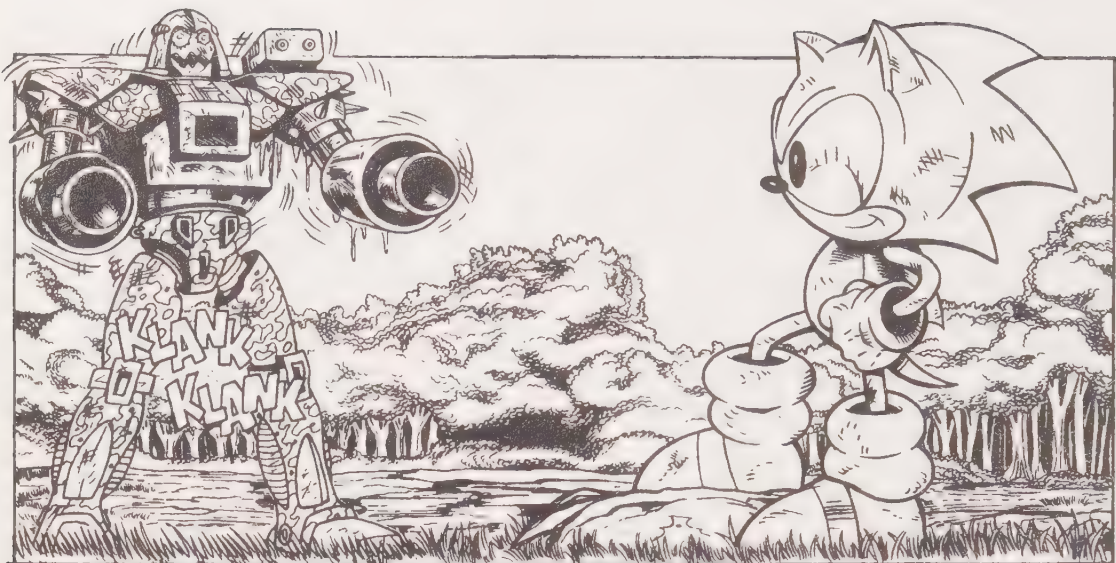


NOTHING IN
YOUR WORTHLESS BAG
OF TRICKS--

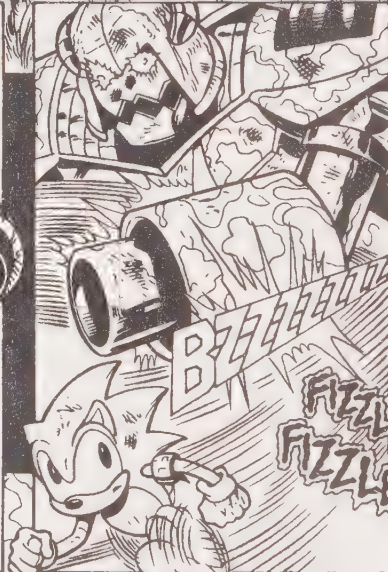
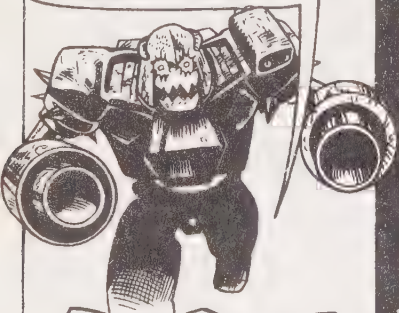
--CAN MATCH
SOMEONE AS WAY
PAST COOL AS
ME! FACE IT:
IF YOU WERE WAY
PAST COOL...

SPRONG!

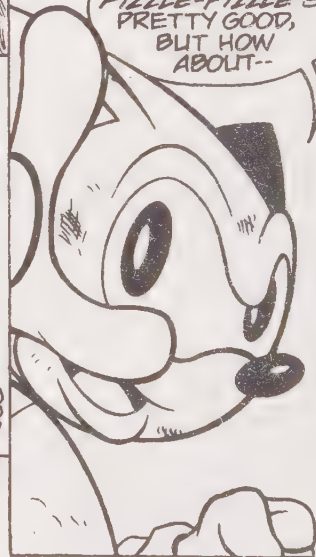
SHRIMP
...THAT WOULD
ONLY MEAN THAT
I WAS WAY PAST
COOLER!



KLANK-KLANK? WHAT
KINDA NOISE TO MAKE IS
KLANK-KLANK? WOULDN'T
IT BE AWESOME IF YOU
SOUNDED LIKE--

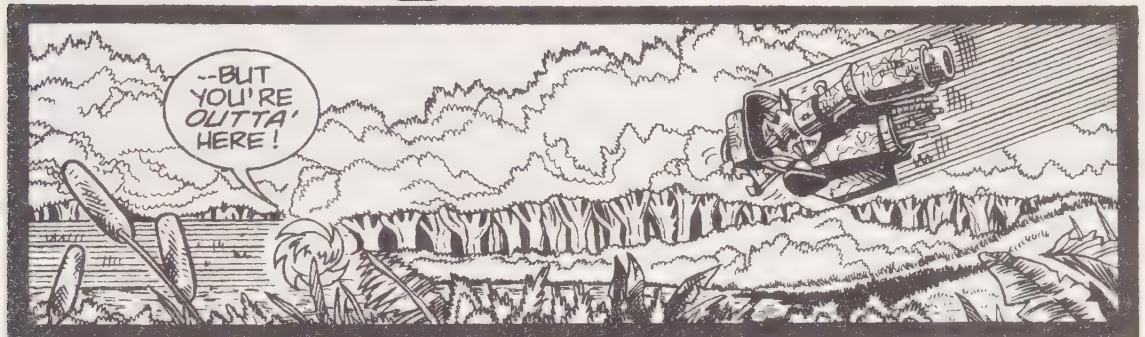
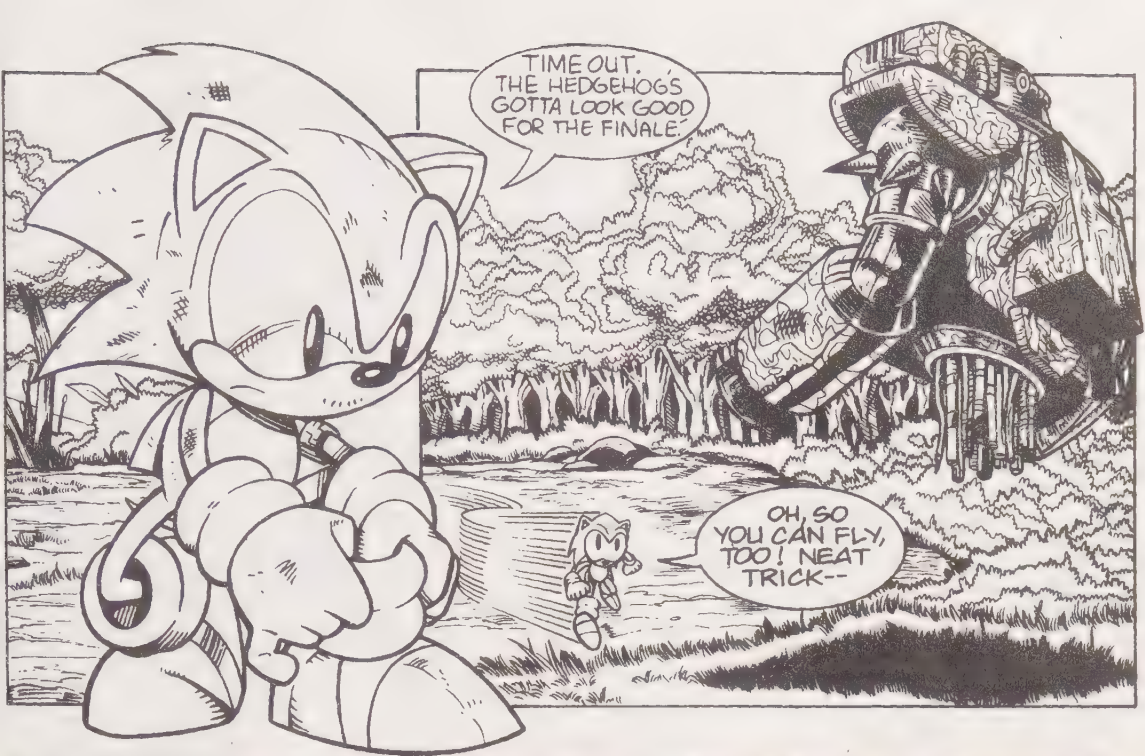


FIZZLE-FIZZLE'S
PRETTY GOOD,
BUT HOW
ABOUT--



--TER-MIN-ATE!
TER-MIN-ATE!





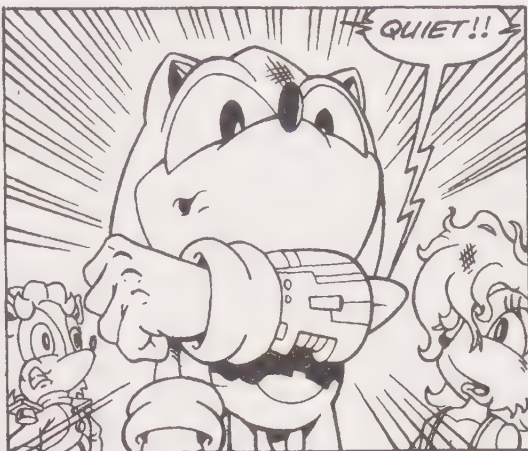


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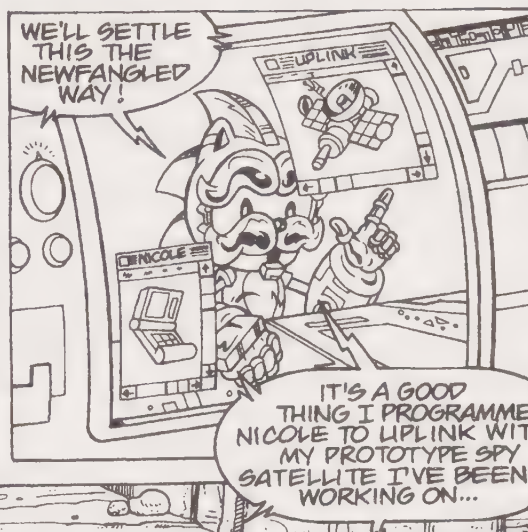
EPILOGUE

OH, PUH-
LEEZE!

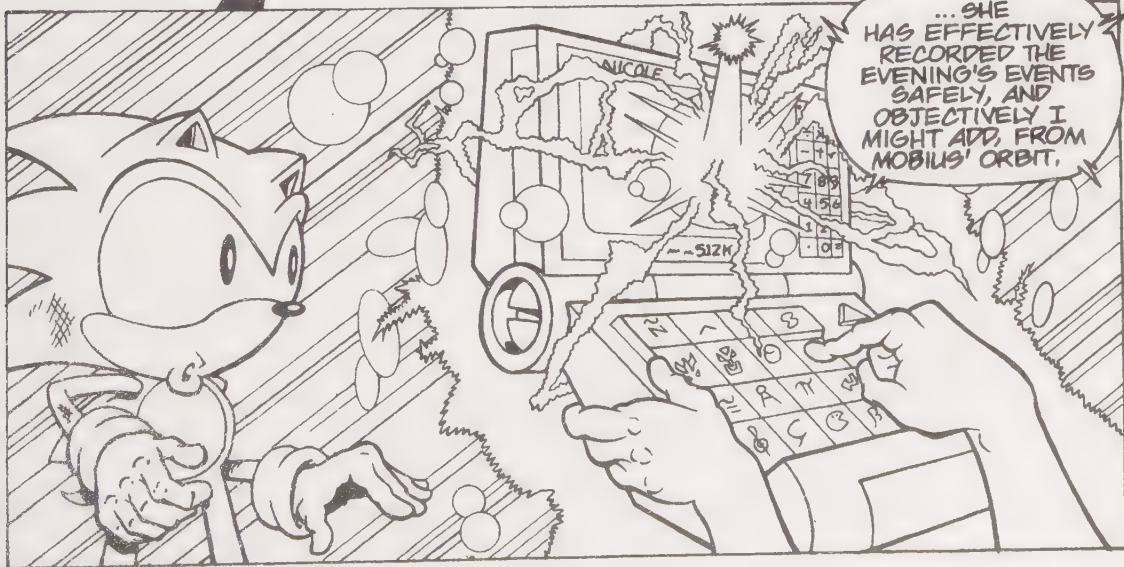
DO YOU
REALLY EXPECT
ANYONE TO BELIEVE
ZAT OUTLANDISH
TALE?



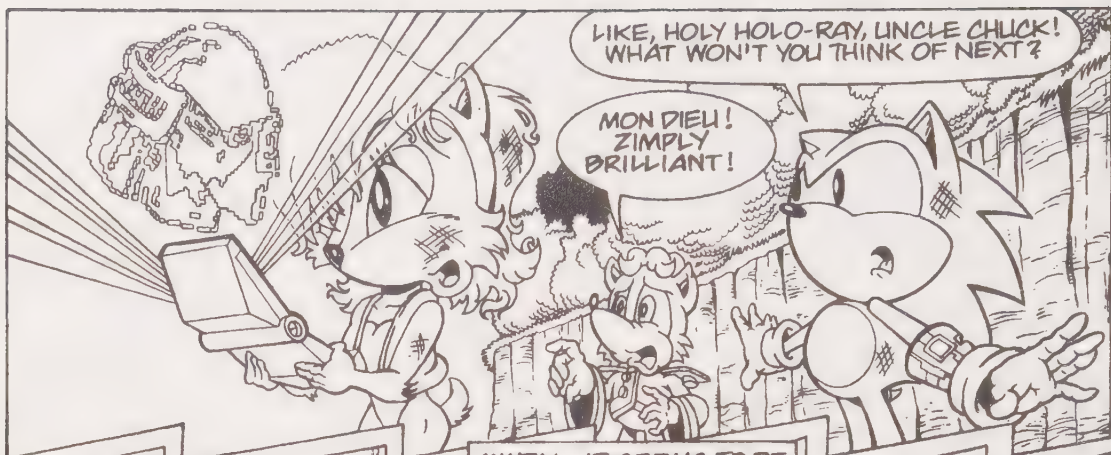
WE'LL SETTLE
THIS THE
NEWFANGLED
WAY!



IT'S A GOOD
THING I PROGRAMMED
NICOLE TO UPLINK WITH
MY PROTOTYPE SPY
SATELLITE I'VE BEEN
WORKING ON...



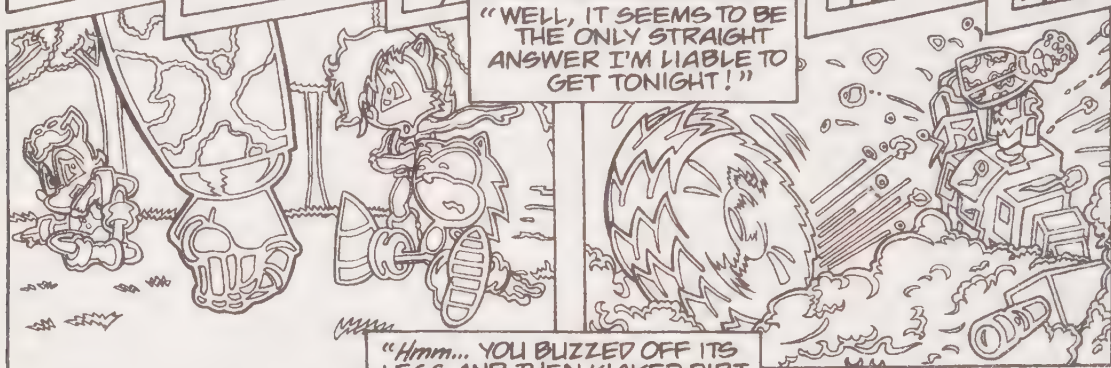
... SHE
HAS EFFECTIVELY
RECORDED THE
EVENING'S EVENTS
SAFELY, AND
OBJECTIVELY I
MIGHT ADD, FROM
MOBIUS' ORBIT.



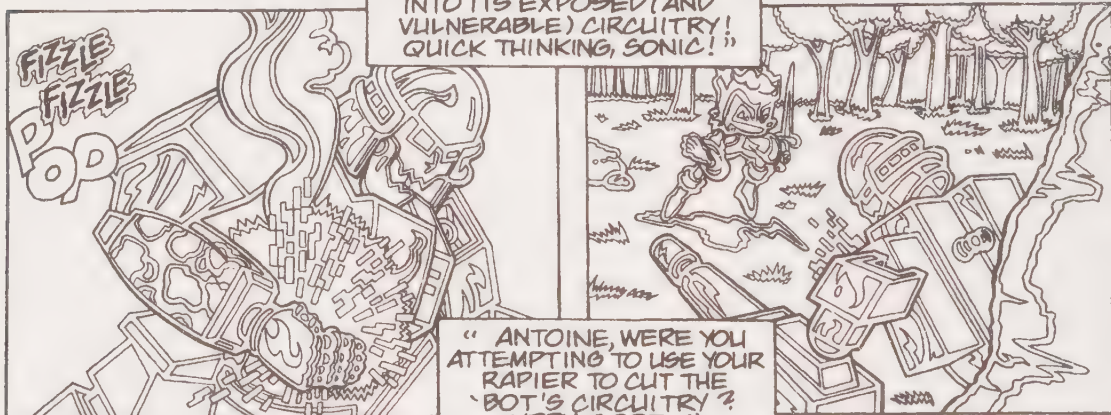
LIKE, HOLY HOLO-RAY, UNCLE CHUCK!
WHAT WON'T YOU THINK OF NEXT?

MON DIEU!
ZIMPLY
BRILLIANT!

"WELL, IT SEEMS TO BE
THE ONLY STRAIGHT
ANSWER I'M LIABLE TO
GET TONIGHT!"

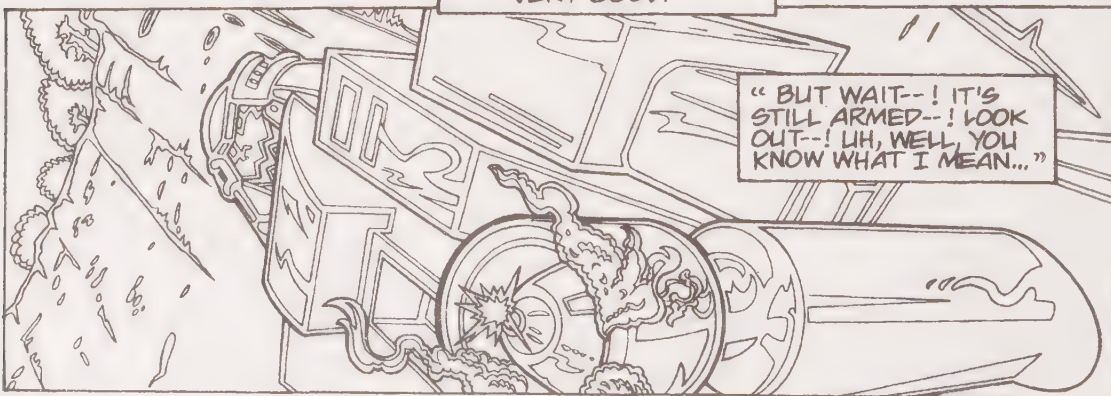


"HMM... YOU BUZZED OFF ITS
LEGS AND THEN KICKED DIRT
INTO ITS EXPOSED (AND
VULNERABLE) CIRCUITRY!
QUICK THINKING, SONIC!"

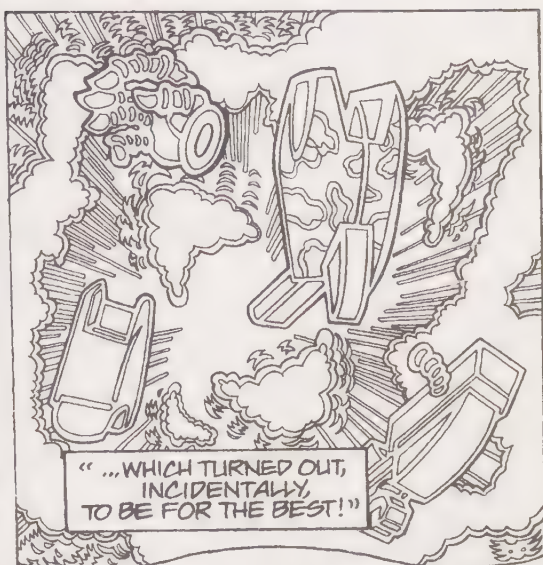
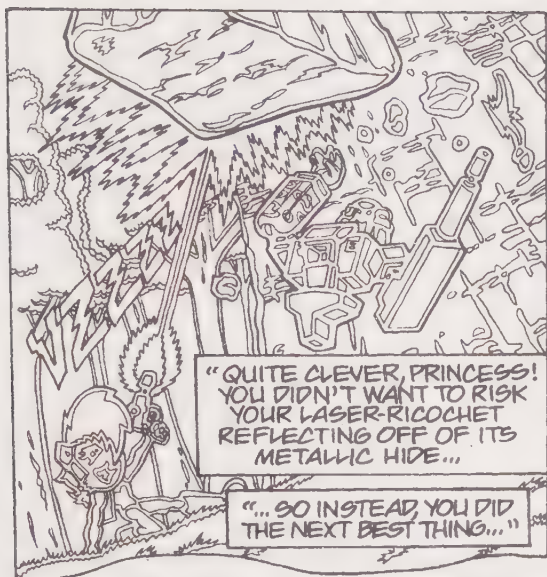


FIZZLE
FIZZLE
POD

"ANTOINE, WERE YOU
ATTEMPTING TO USE YOUR
RAPIER TO CUT THE
'BOT'S CIRCUITRY?
VERY GOOD."



"BUT WAIT--! IT'S
STILL ARMED--! LOOK
OUT--! UH, WELL, YOU
KNOW WHAT I MEAN..."



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VICTORY!



The planet **Mobius** was like a paradise... until the evil **Doctor Robotnik** and his mechanical legions conquered the land and its people, using his knowledge of **technology and pollution**. But many **young, courageous citizens** banded together as a brave group of "**Freedom Fighters!**" They struggle to overthrow the dictator and, one day, regain what was once theirs. Among them, the greatest of the Freedom Fighters is the **fastest and way-coolest dude on two feet...**
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But now, with Robotnik's seeming demise, the freedom-fighting band of 'bot-kicking rebels who brought an end to his tyrannical reign of **techno-terror** can finally enjoy a **long-awaited peace...** or can they? Read closely, **speed freaks**, 'cause only **Sonic The Hedgehog** can answer that question for you!

The **celebration** is already underway! Let's join the Freedom Fighters as they corner Sonic away from the other villagers...

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THE TIME: THE
NIGHT OF
ROBOTNIK'S
DEFEAT.

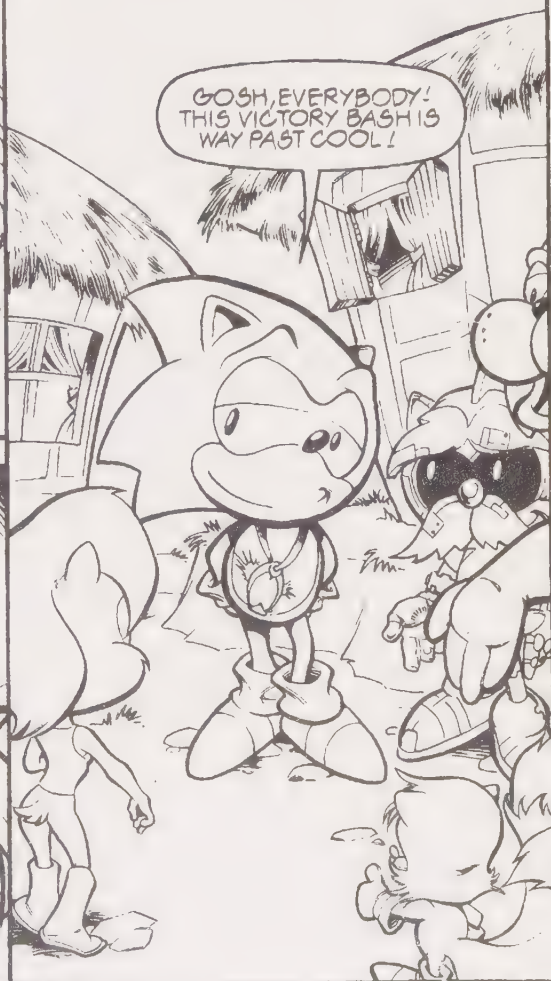
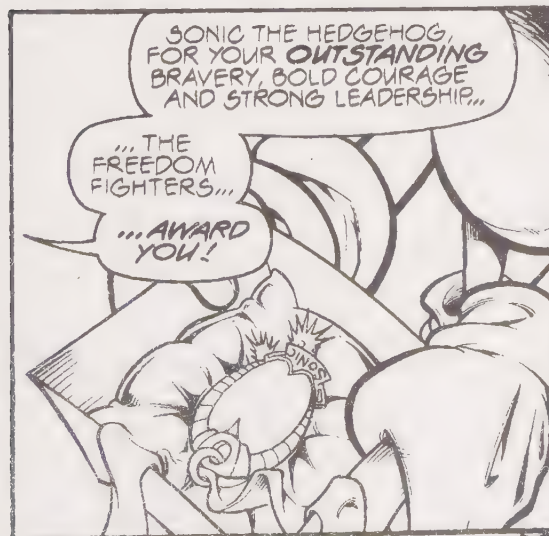
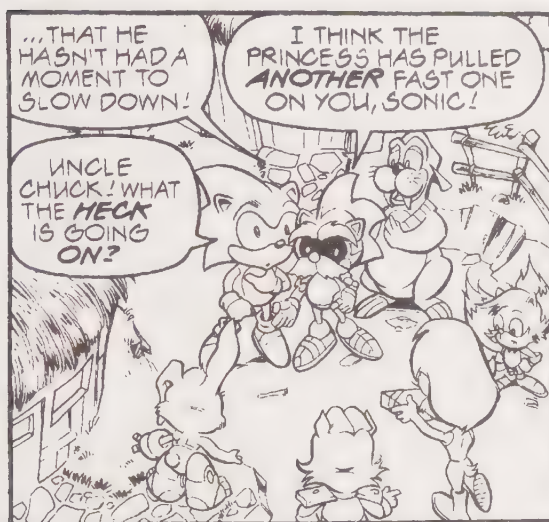
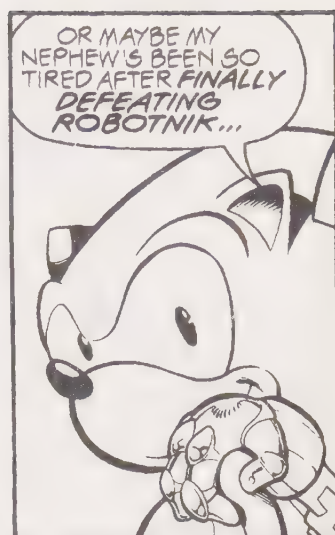
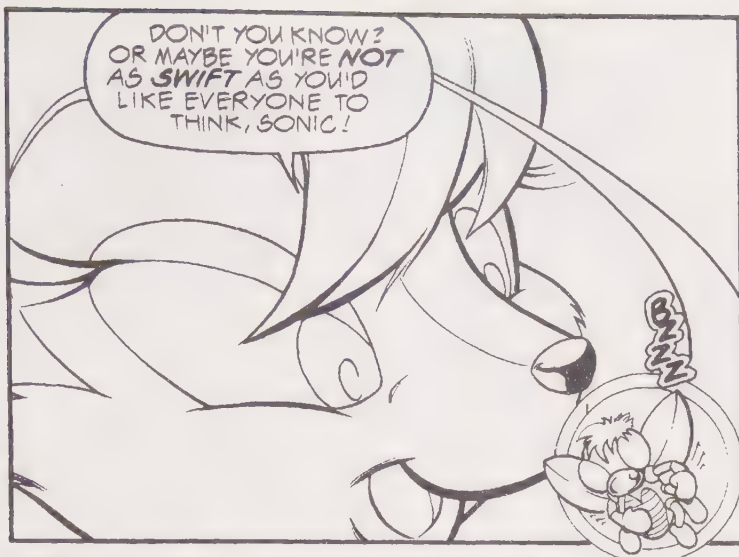
THE PLACE:
KNOTHOLE
VILLAGE
FREEDOM
FIGHTER
COMPOUND.

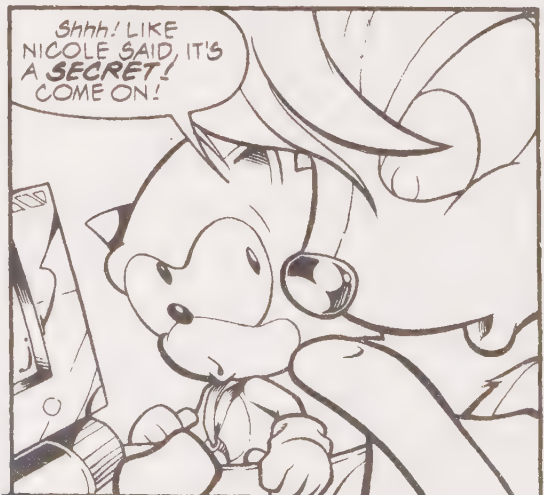
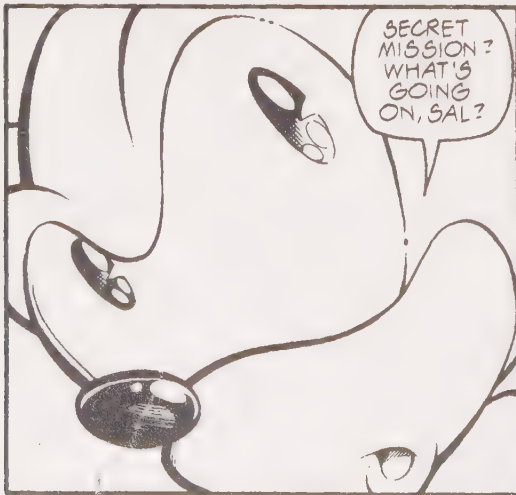
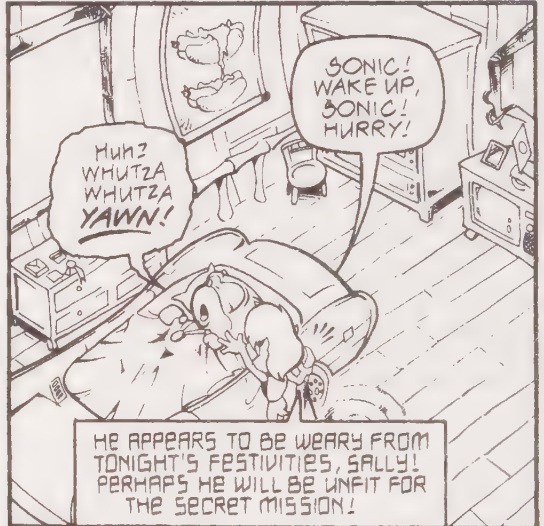
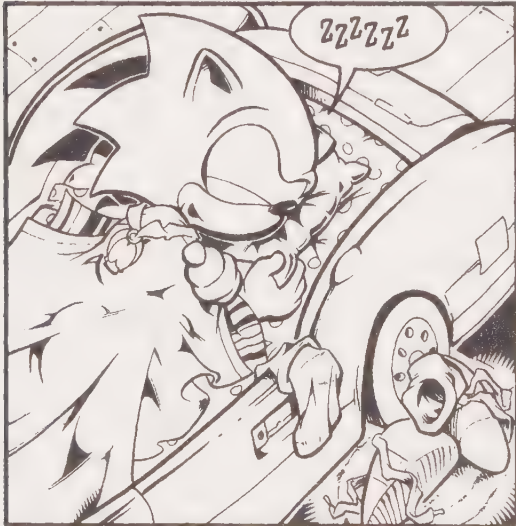
THE OCCASION:
WHY NOT CHECK
IT OUT FOR
YOURSELF!

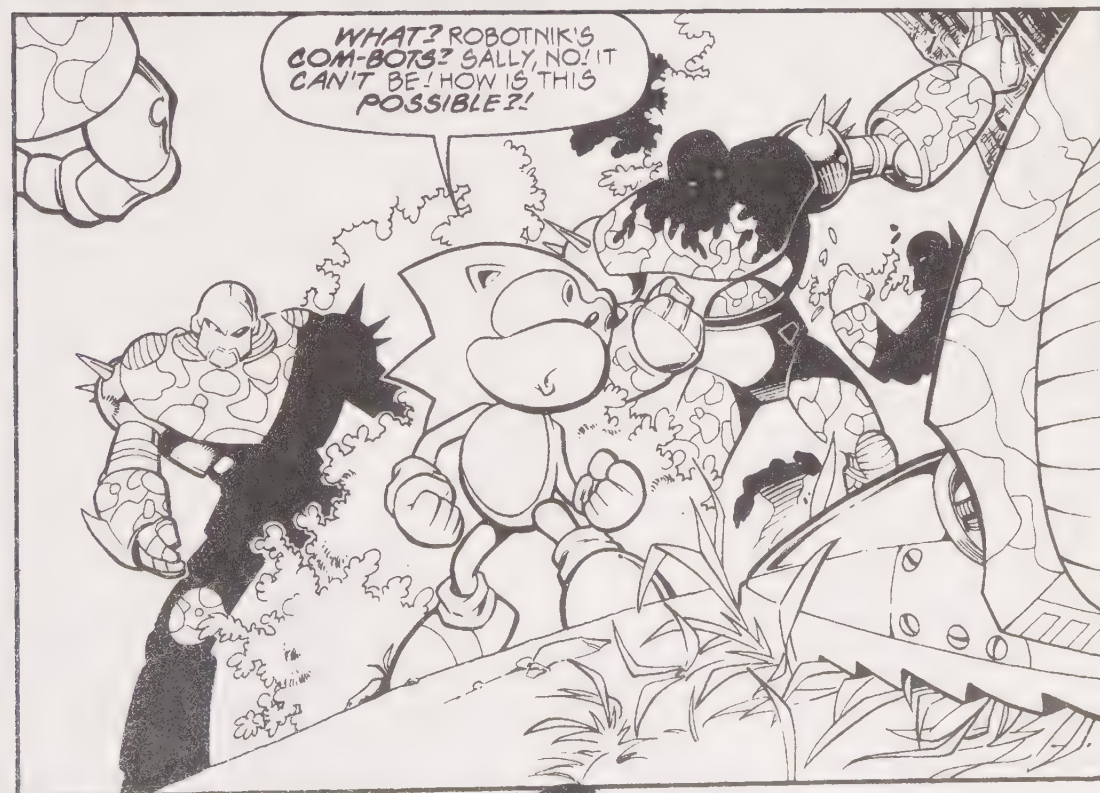
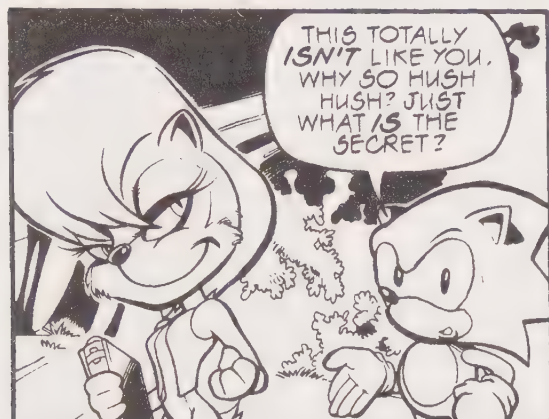
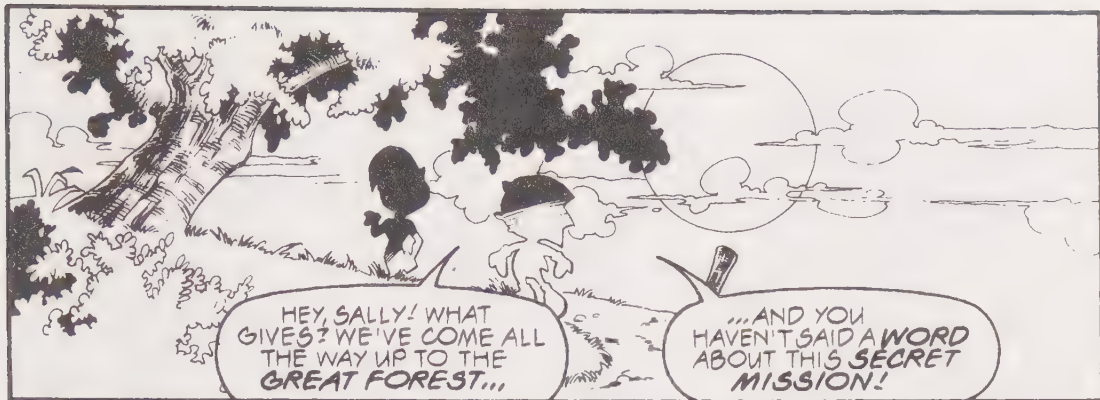
WE'VE BEEN
WAITING FOR THIS
DAY OUR **WHOLE**
LIVES, SONIC! AND
IT COULDN'T HAVE
HAPPENED WITHOUT
YOU!

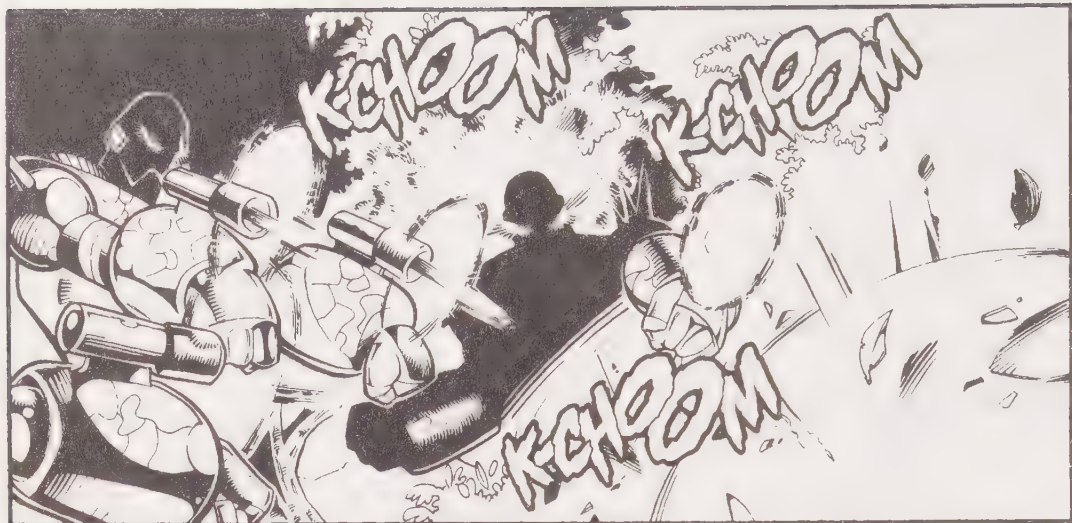
PART I

I'M SPEECHLESS, SAL!
THIS **CELEBRATION** IS WAY
COOL! BUT WHY AREN'T WE
CELEBRATING WITH THE
REST OF THE VILLAGE AT
THE MEETING AREA?









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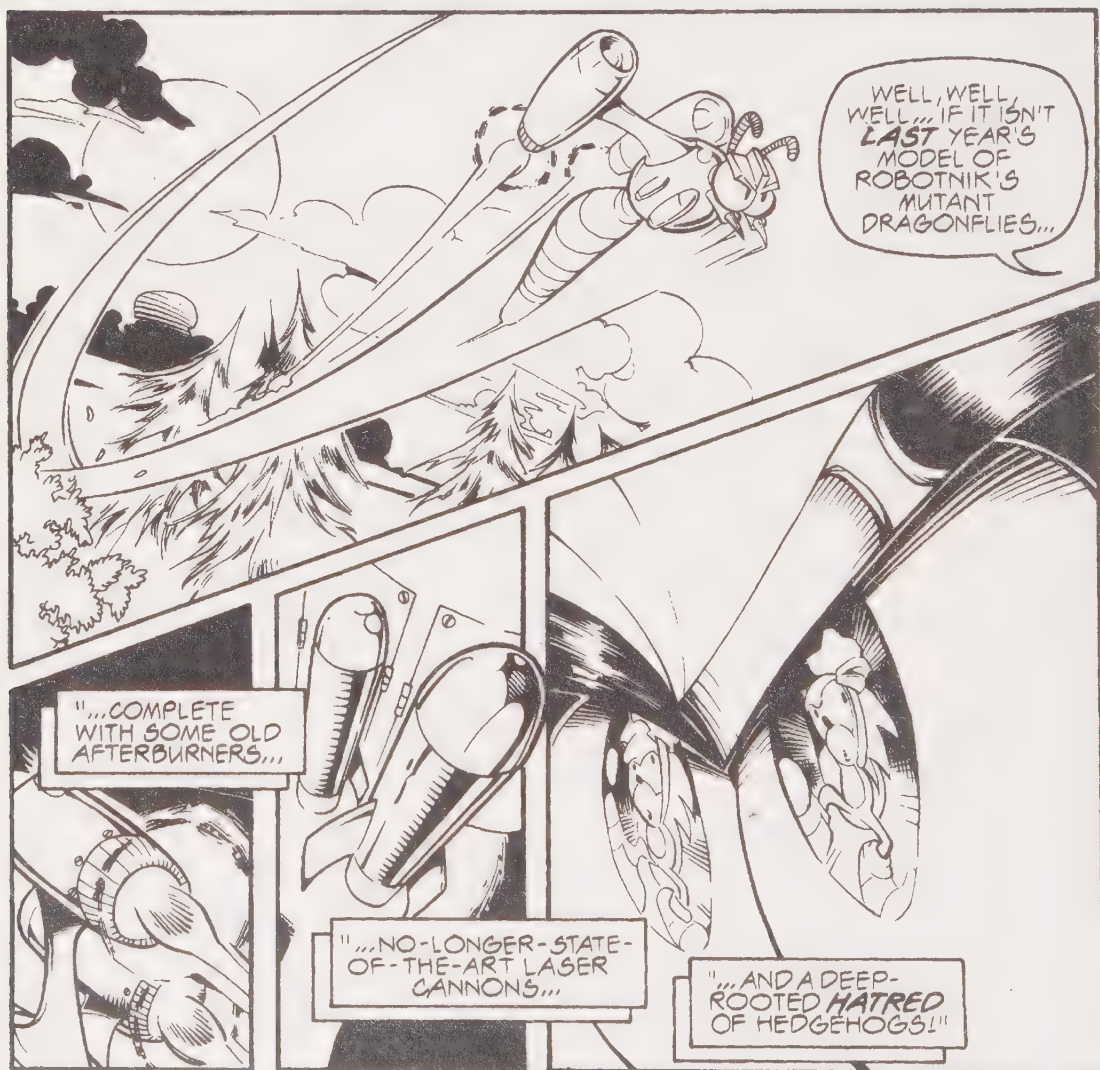
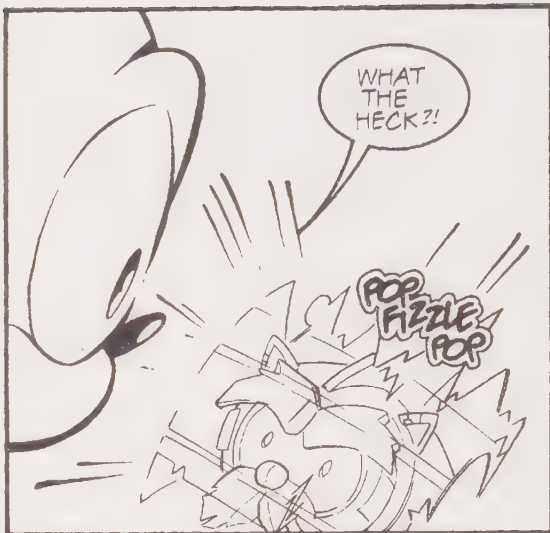
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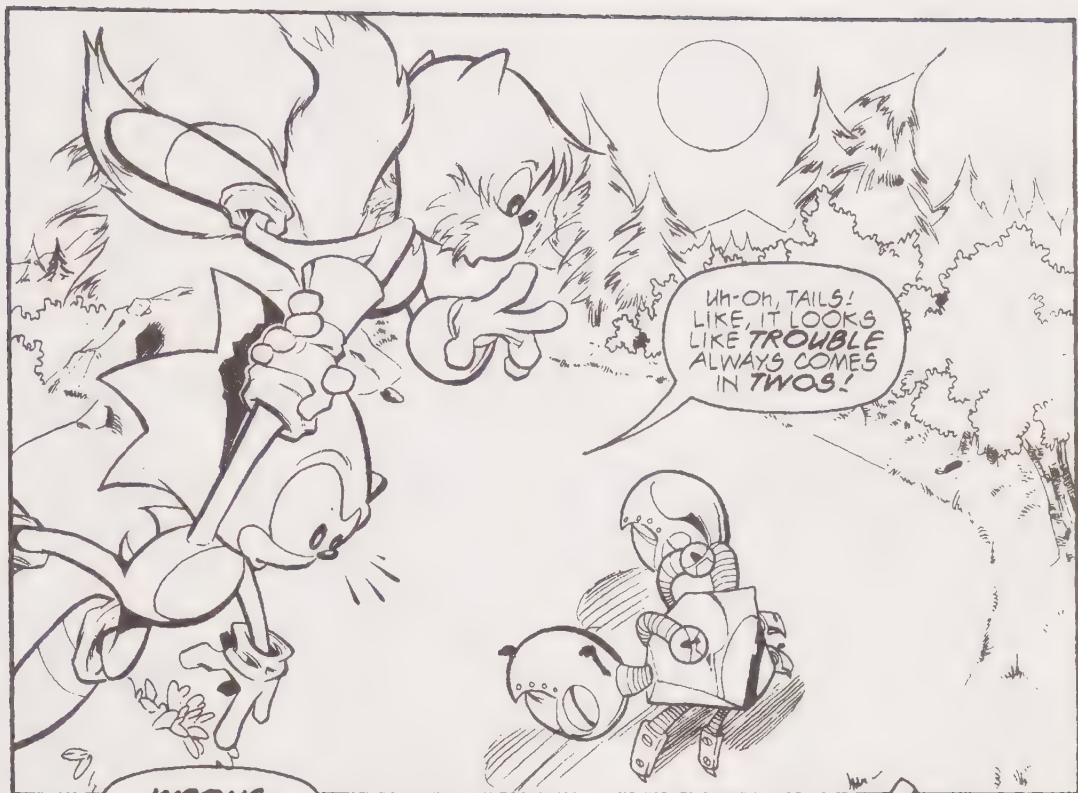
PART 2

TAILS!

HOLD TIGHT,
SONIC! THESE
CREEPS MEAN
BUSINESS!

HASTA
LA VISTA,
MEEESTAH!





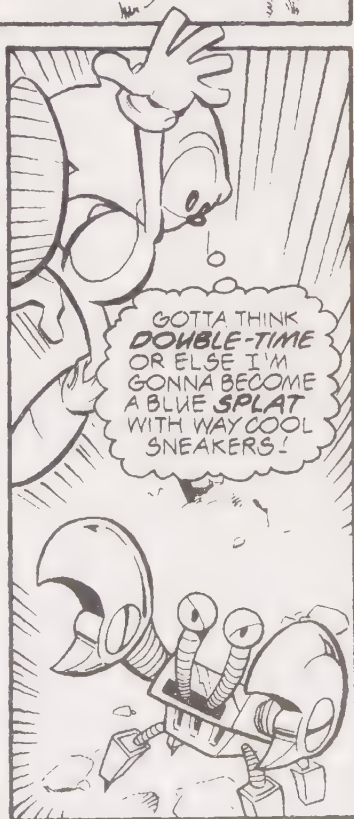
WH-OH, TAILS!
LIKE, IT LOOKS
LIKE **TROUBLE**
ALWAYS COMES
IN **TWOS**!

WRONG,
SONIC. IN YOUR
CASE...

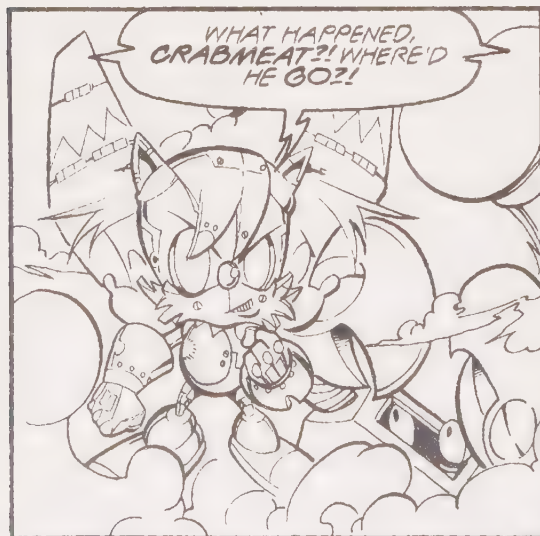
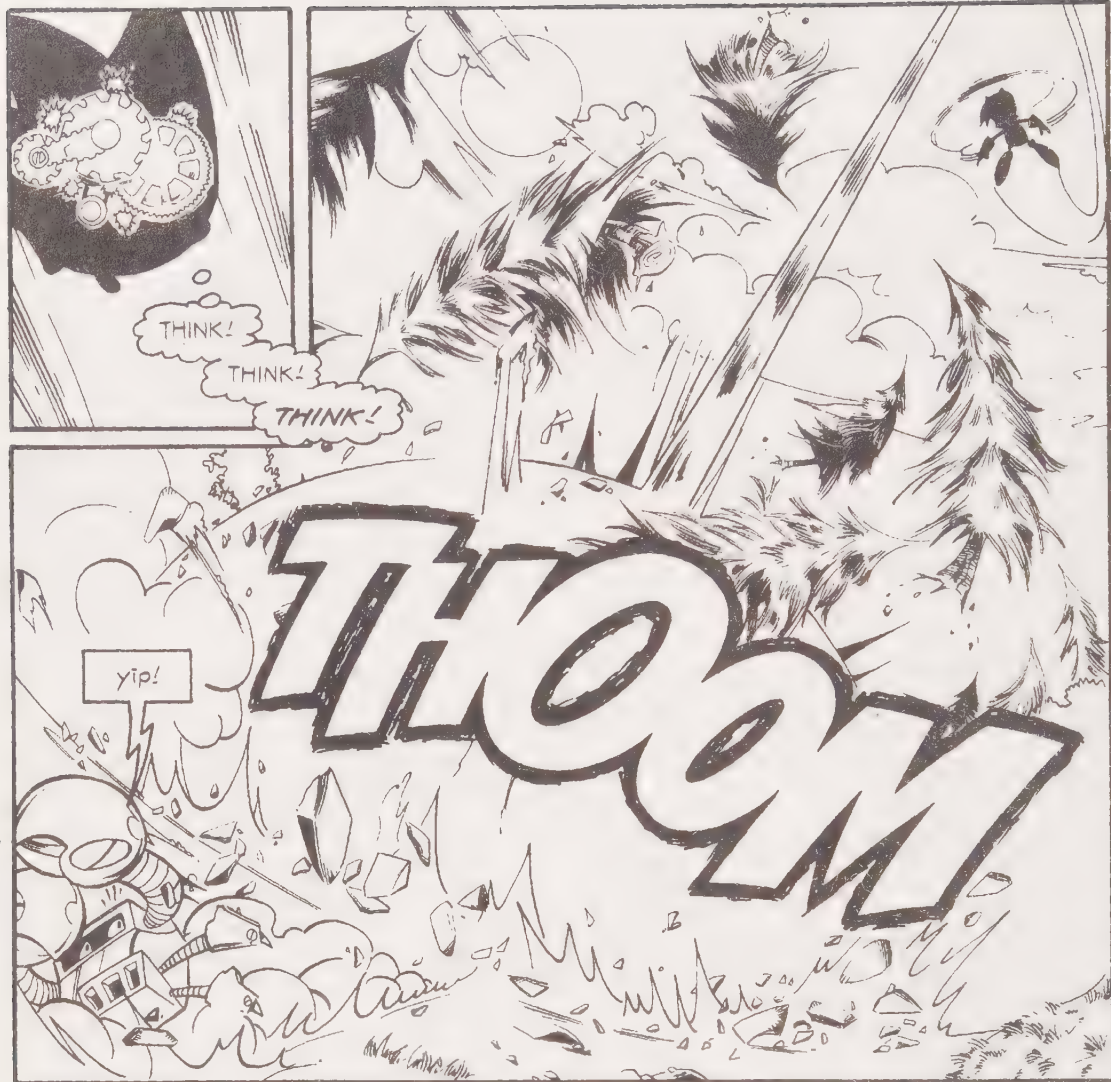


...IT
COMES IN
THREES!

TALL



GOTTA THINK
DOUBLE-TIME
OR ELSE I'M
GONNA BECOME
A **BLUE SPLAT**
WITH WAY COOL
SNEAKERS!



SO THIS SOMEONE'S
GOT TO TAILS TOO, HUH?
WELL, THEY ALL **FORGOT**
ABOUT THE OL'
TRIPLE S!

AND AFTER ALL,
UNDERGROUND **IS** A
HEDGEHOG'S NATURAL
HABI--

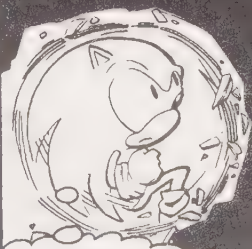
WHAT THE HECK
IS **HAPPENING** TO
ME?! FIRST, MY BEST
FRIENDS **BETRAY**
ME--

--NOW I
KEEP SEEING
VISIONS
OF **UNC!**

IT'S **GOT** TO
BE ANOTHER TRICK!
I WON'T LOOK!

GOTTA
KEEP **GOING**
ON!

VROOOOM!



IF MY
CALCULATIONS
ARE RIGHT, I
SHOULD COME
UP NEAR THE
HOT SPRING!



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BUNNIE! ARE
YOU OKAY? WHAT
THE HECK HAPPENED
TO YOUR LEG?

EVERYONE'S
GONE **SCREWY**,
SONIC! THE
PRINCESS! TAILS!
EVEN YOUR
UNCLE!

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PART 3

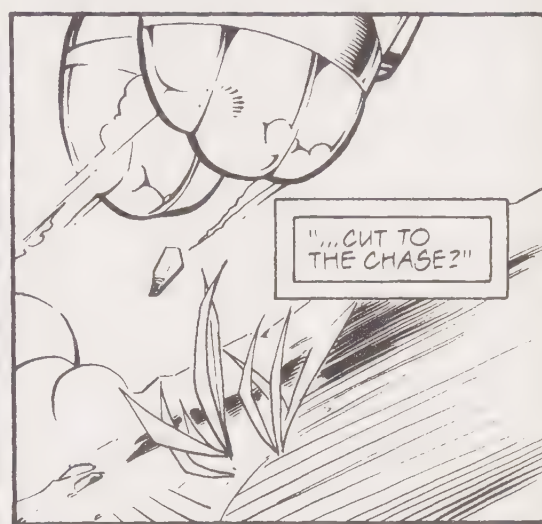
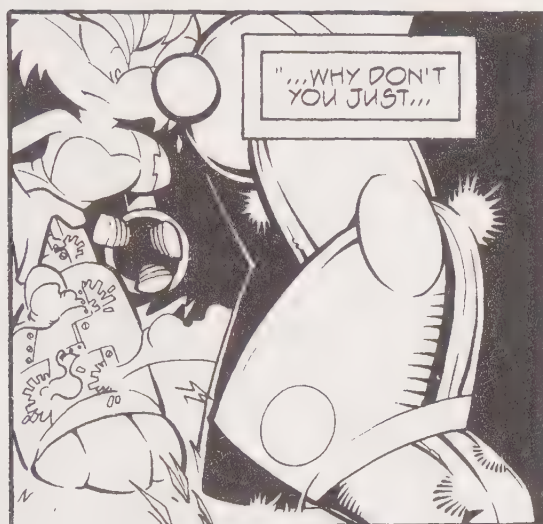
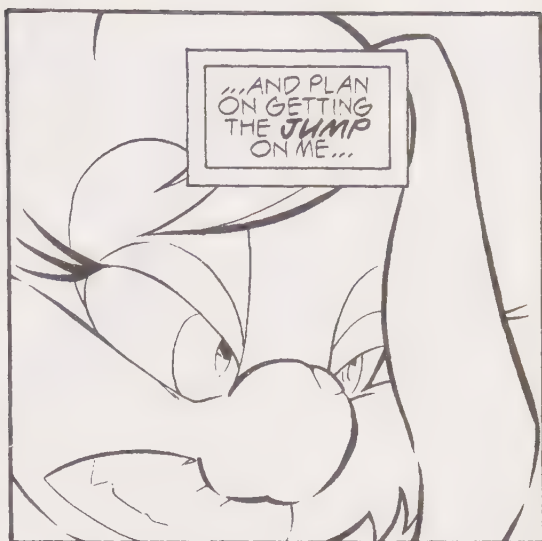
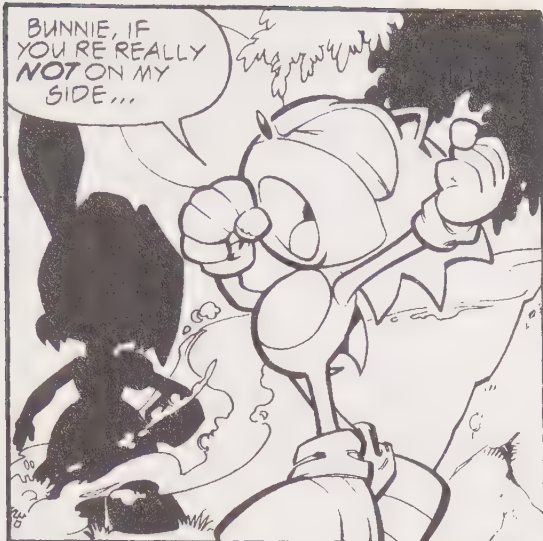
YOU DON'T
HAVE TO TELL
ME! HERE...
CAN YOU WALK
ON IT?

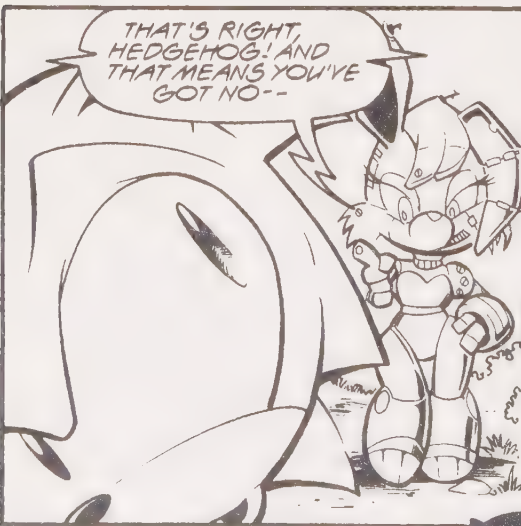
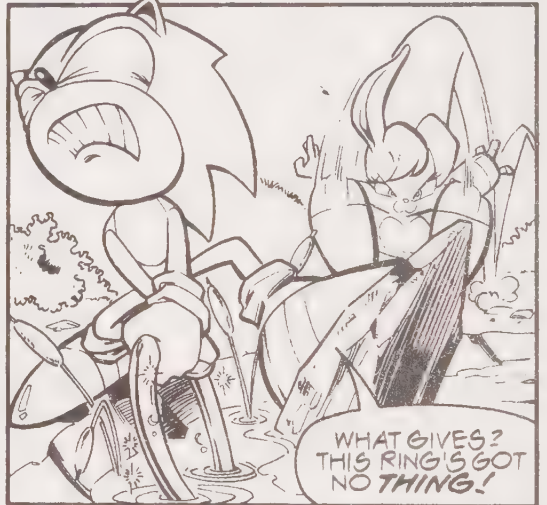
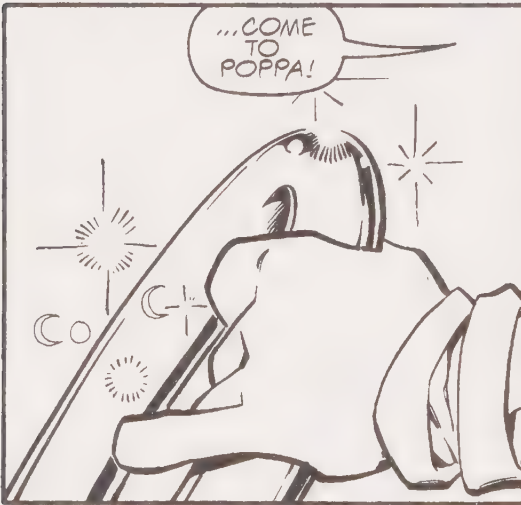
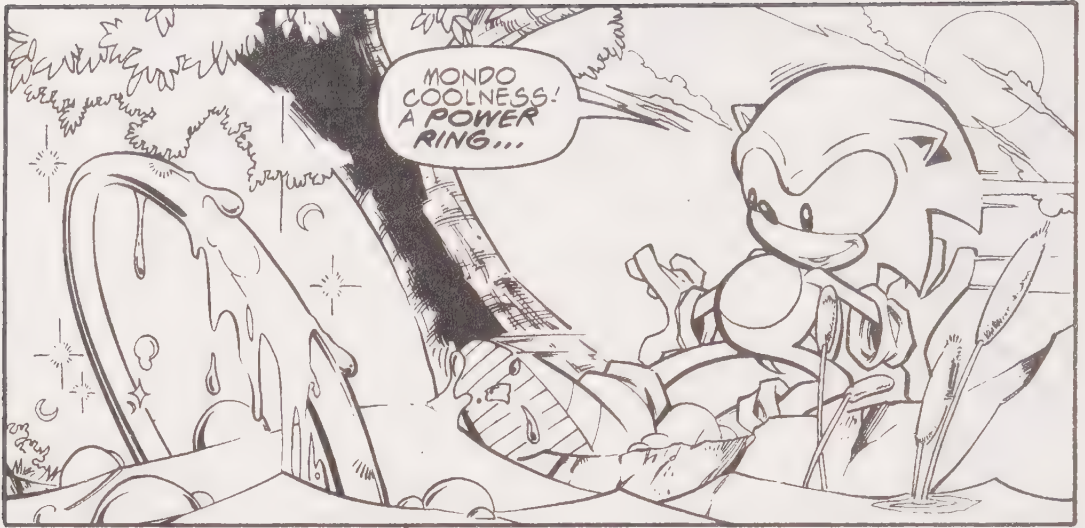
I THINK
SO...

A HOLOGRAPHIC
IMAGE OF YOUR UNCLE
JUST APPEARED OUT
OF **NOWHERE** AND
SHOT LASER BEAMS
AT ME!

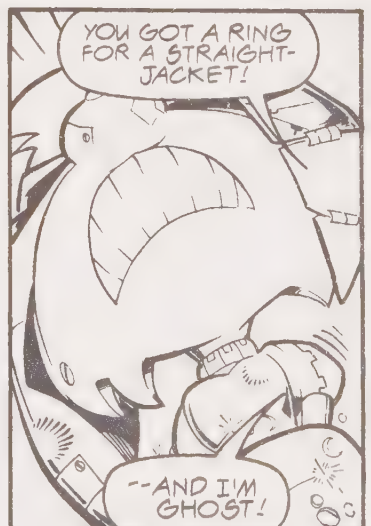
BUT
WAIT!

I SAW THE
SAME PROJECTION
A MINUTE AGO!
HOW COULD IT
HAVE ATTACKED
YOU JUST NOW?





ZIP

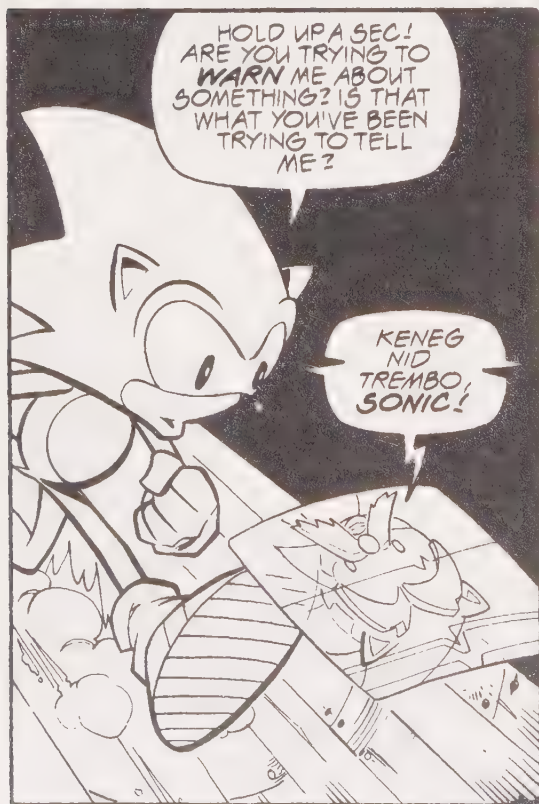
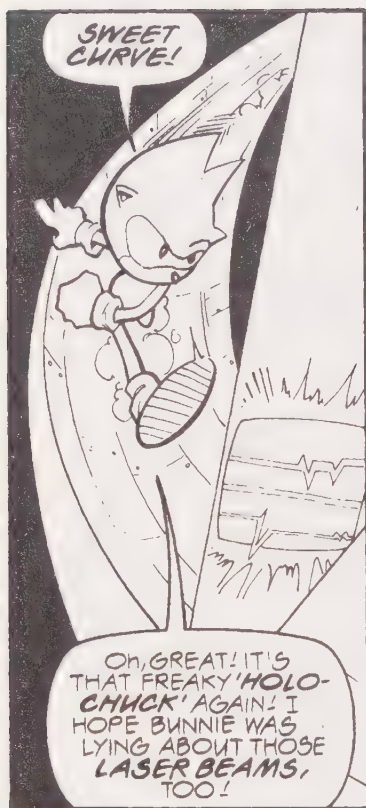


MINUTES
LATER...

FINALLY
MADE IT! AT LAST!
KNOTHOLE!

IT SEEMED LIKE
EVERYONE AND THEIR
ROBOT DUPLICATE
HAS TRIED TO STOP ME
FROM GETTING HERE!
WELL, HERE GOES
SOMETHIN'!

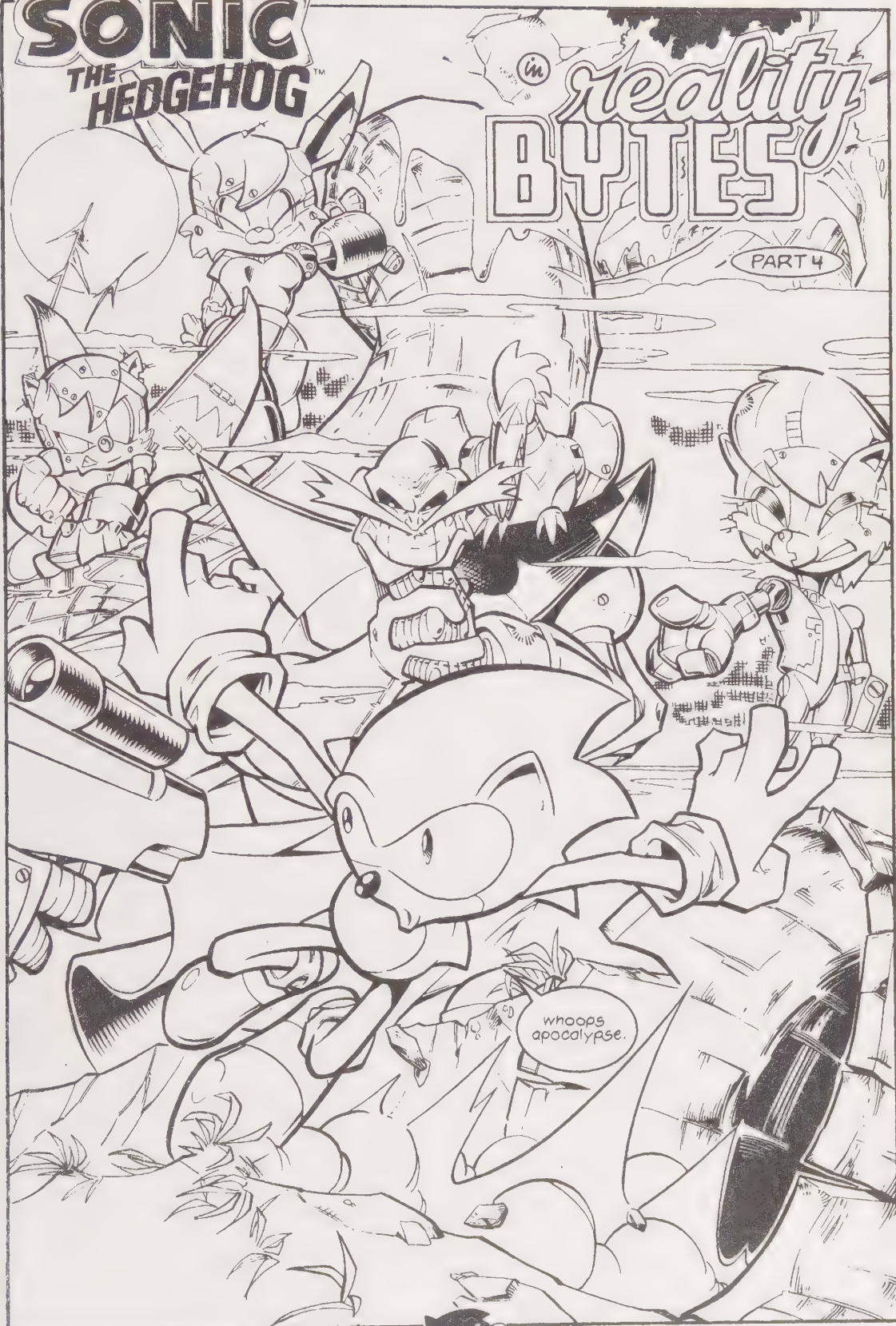
THE
FLY
DIP!



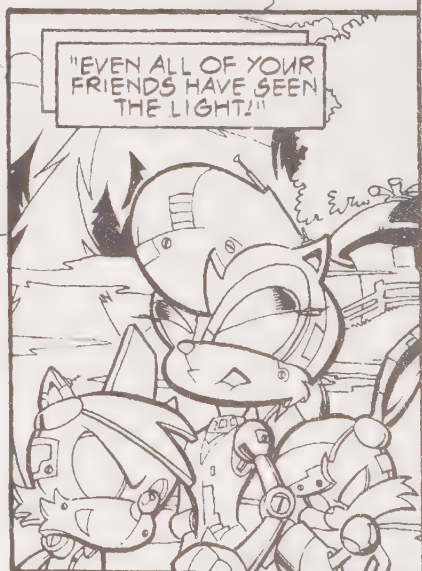
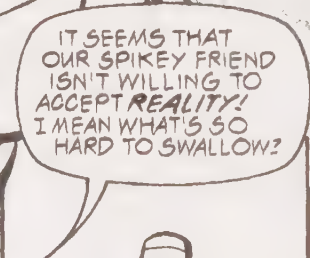
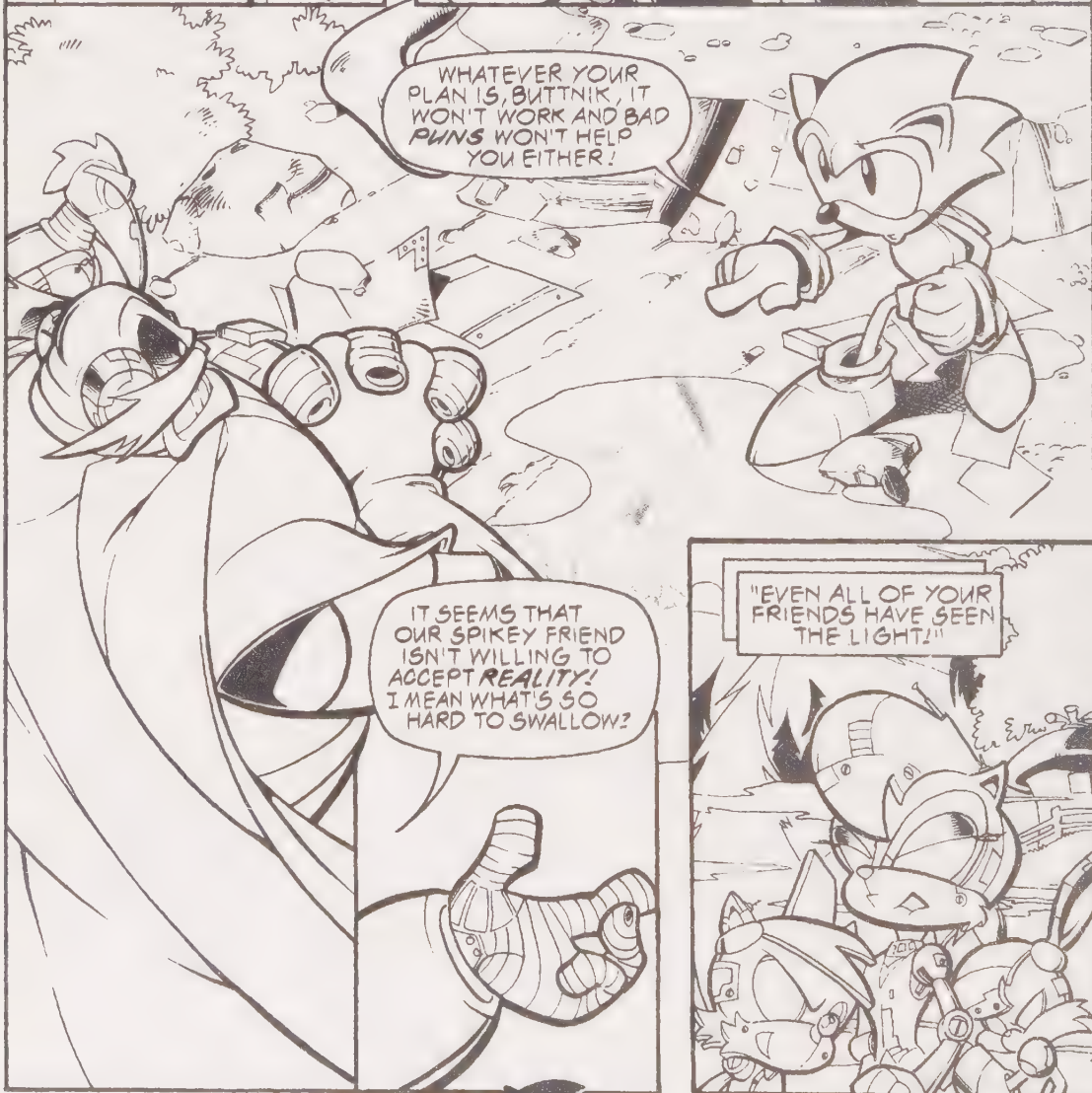
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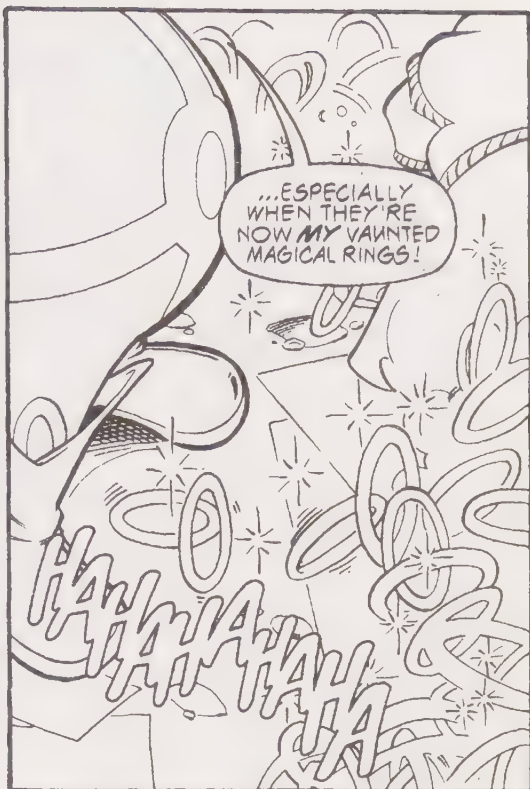
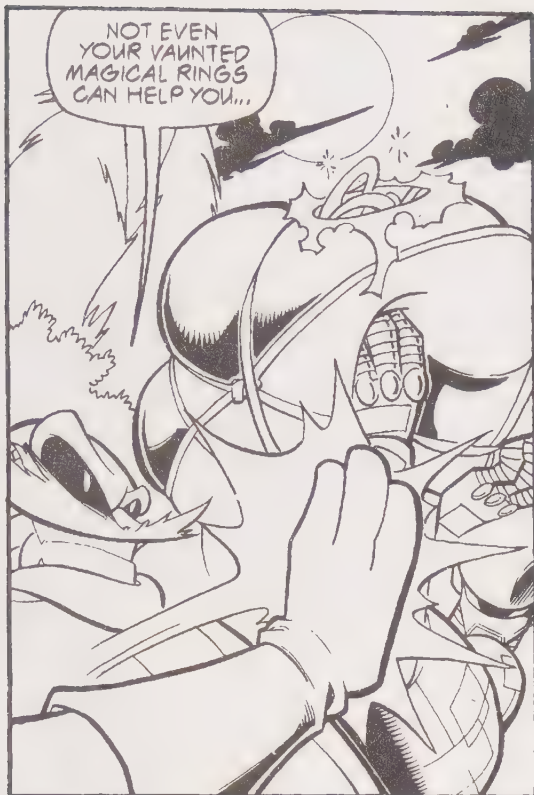
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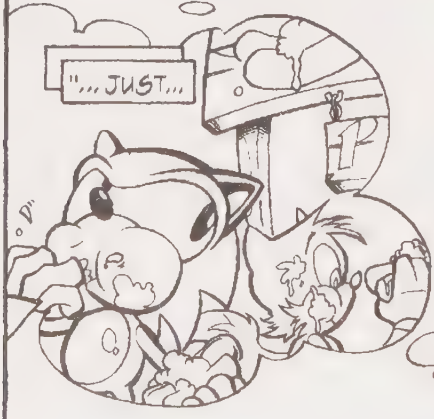
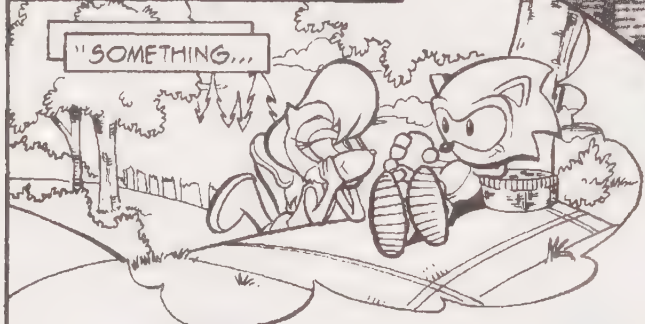
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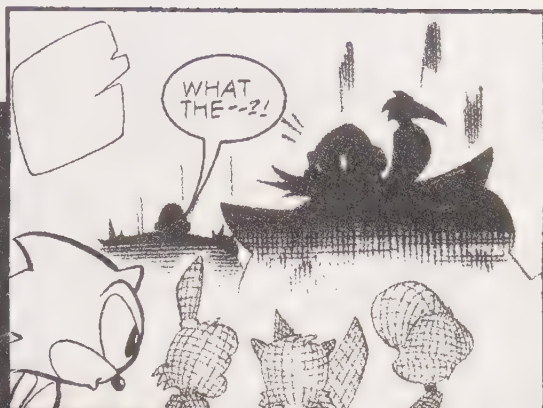
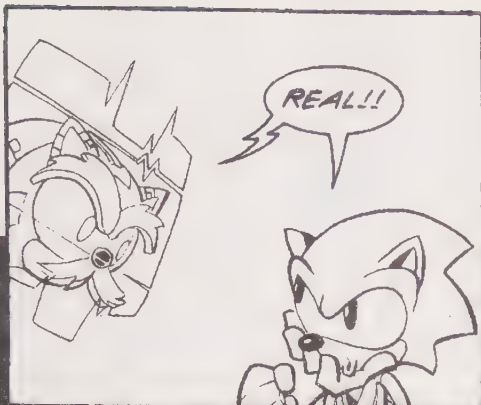


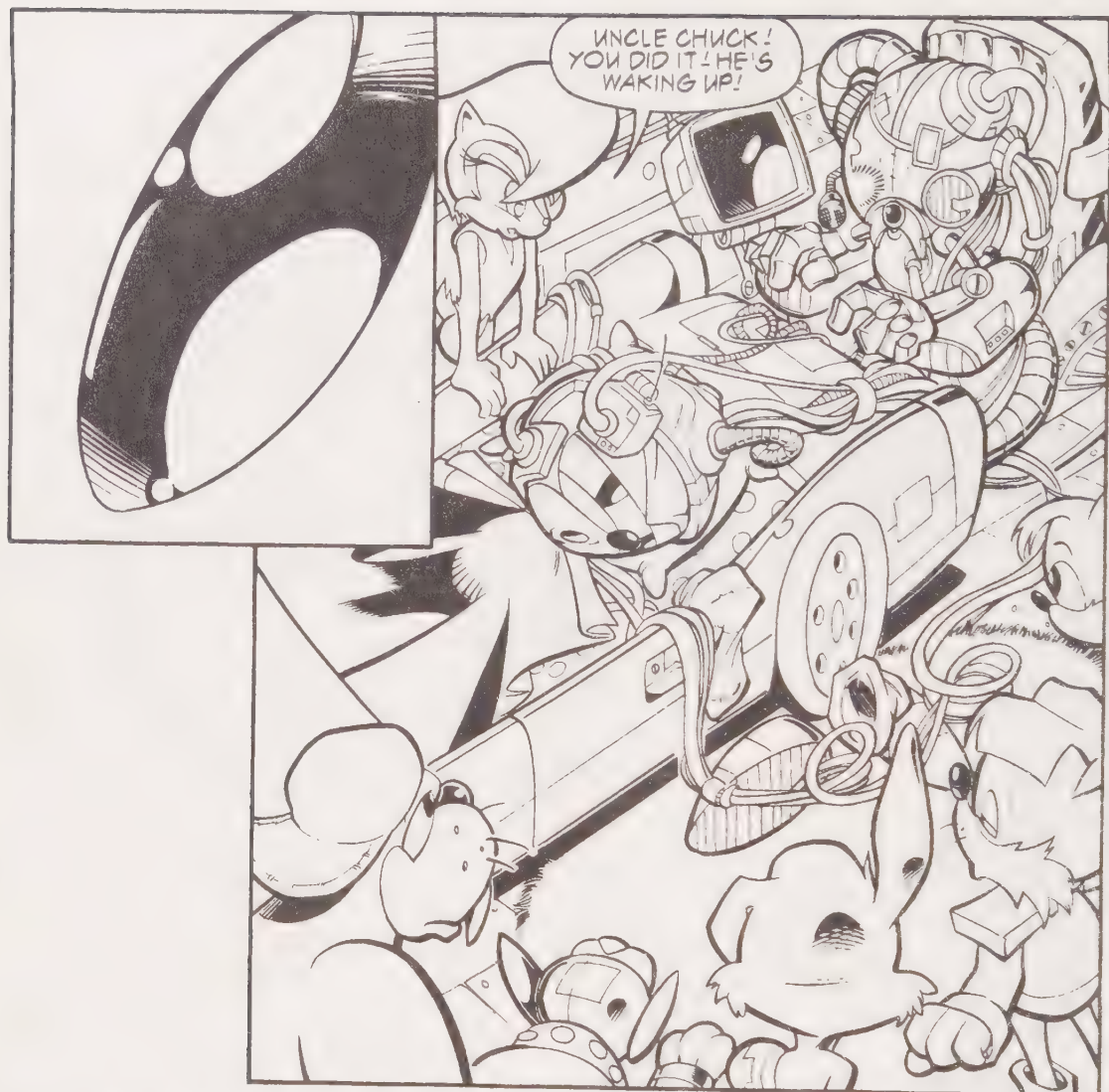
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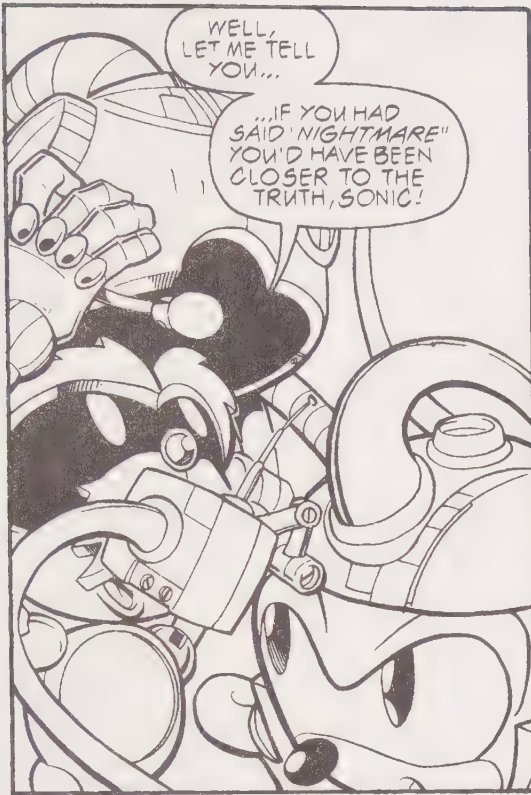


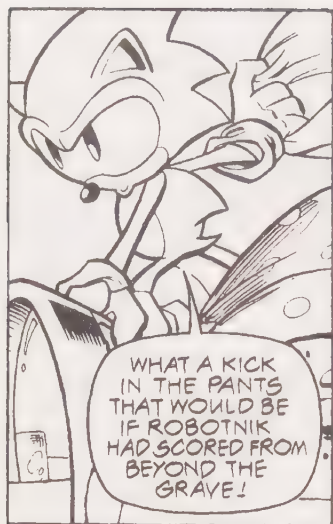




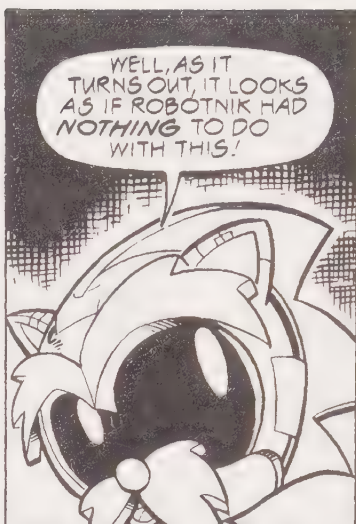




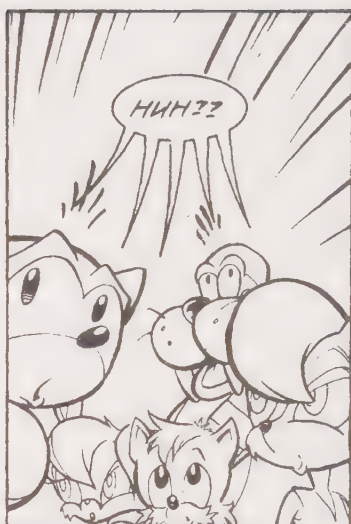




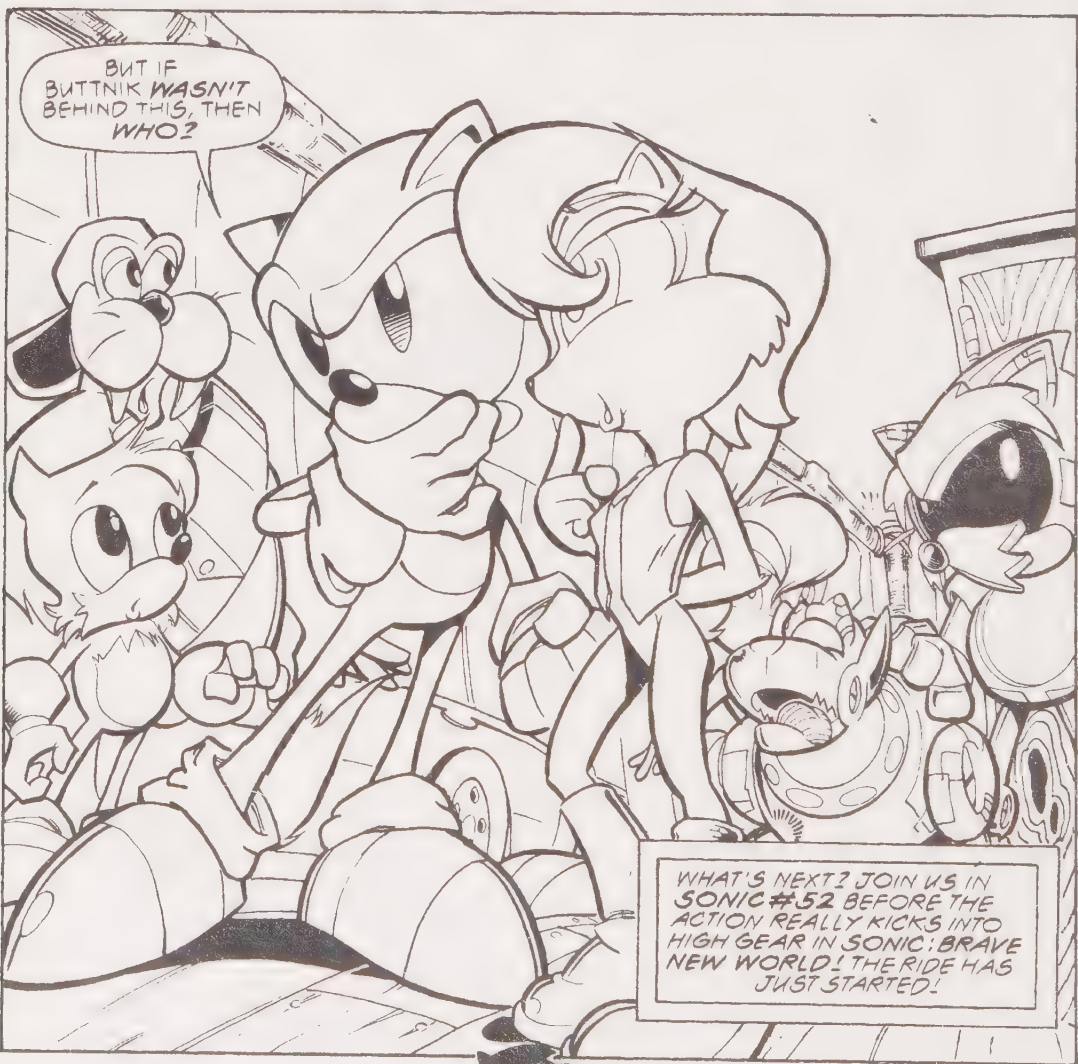
WHAT A KICK
IN THE PANTS
THAT WOULD BE
IF ROBOTNIK
HAD SCORED FROM
BEYOND THE
GRAVE!



WELL, AS IT
TURNS OUT, IT LOOKS
AS IF ROBOTNIK HAD
NOTHING TO DO
WITH THIS!



HUH??



BUT IF
BUTTNIK *WASN'T*
BEHIND THIS, THEN
WHO?

WHAT'S NEXT? JOIN US IN
SONIC #52 BEFORE THE
ACTION REALLY KICKS INTO
HIGH GEAR IN SONIC: BRAVE
NEW WORLD! THE RIDE HAS
JUST STARTED!

Archie
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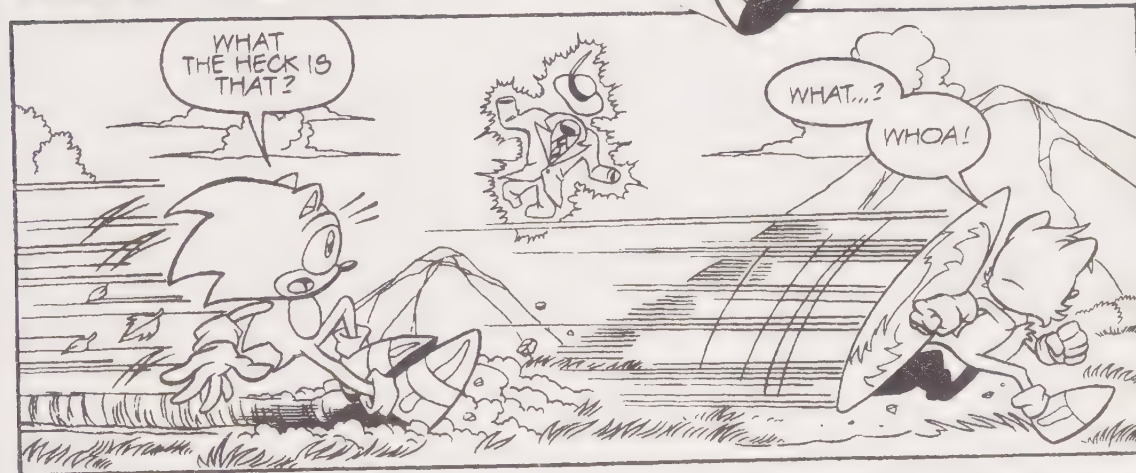
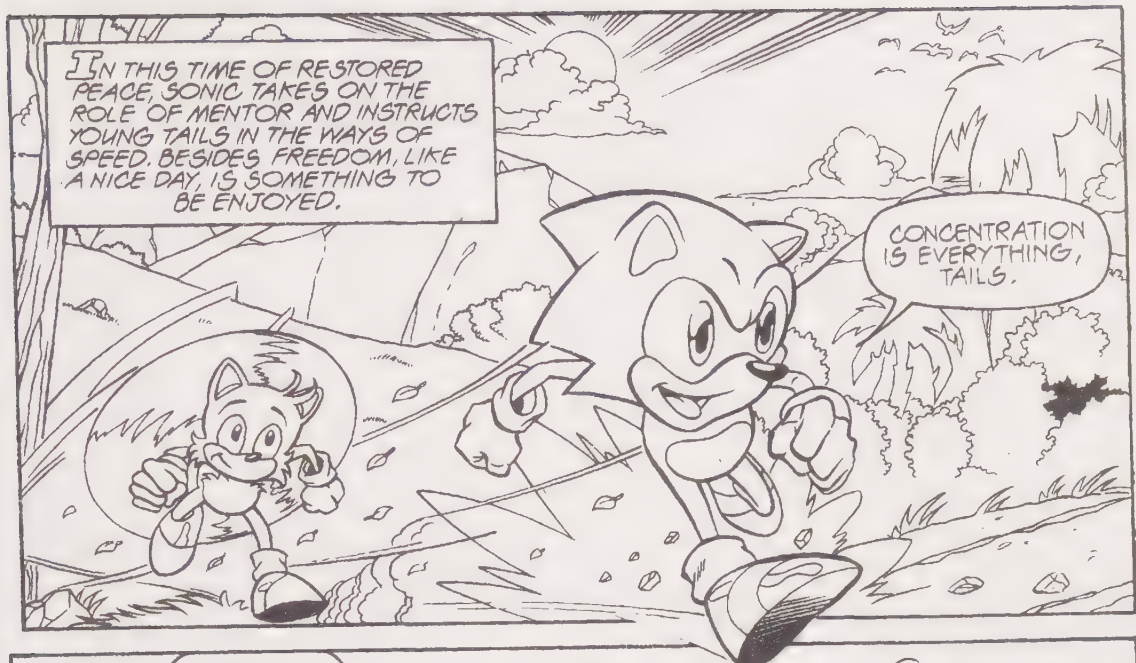
The planet **Mobius** was like a paradise...
until the evil **Doctor Robotnik** and his mechanical
legions conquered the land and its people,
using his knowledge of **technology and pollution**.
But many **young, courageous citizens**
banded together as a brave group of
Freedom Fighters!

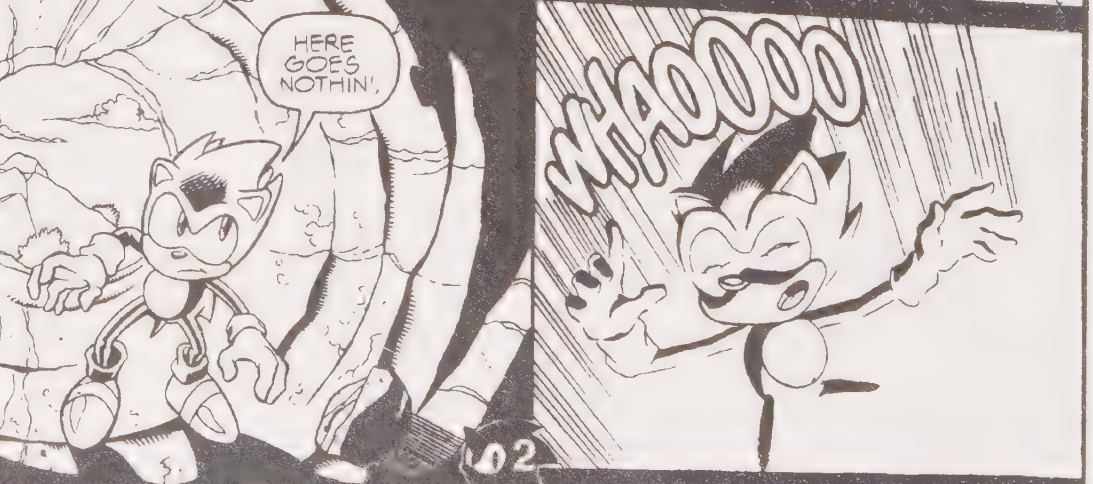
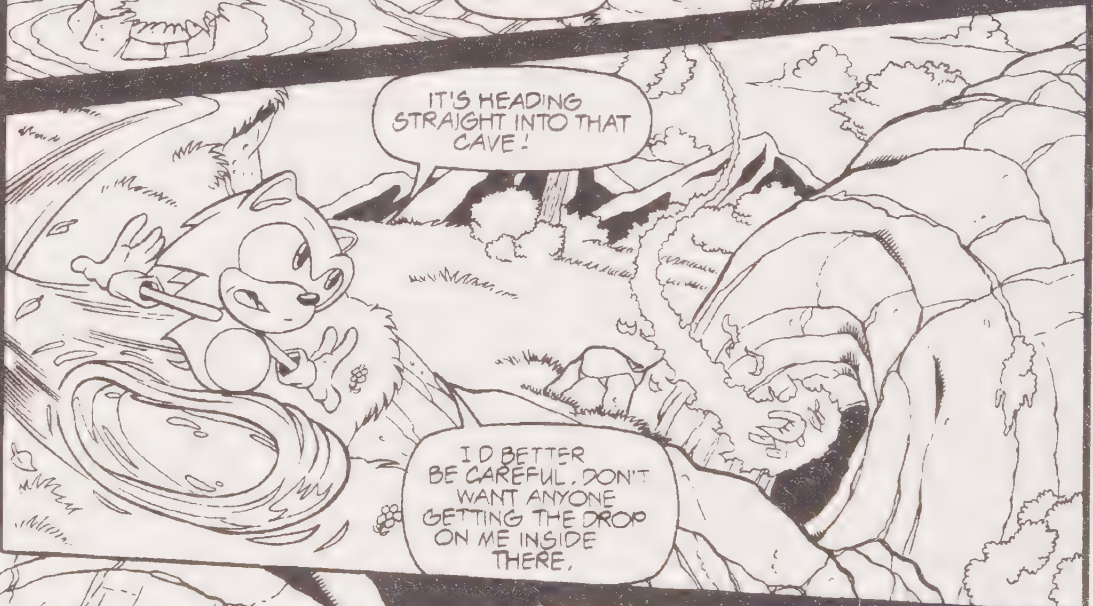
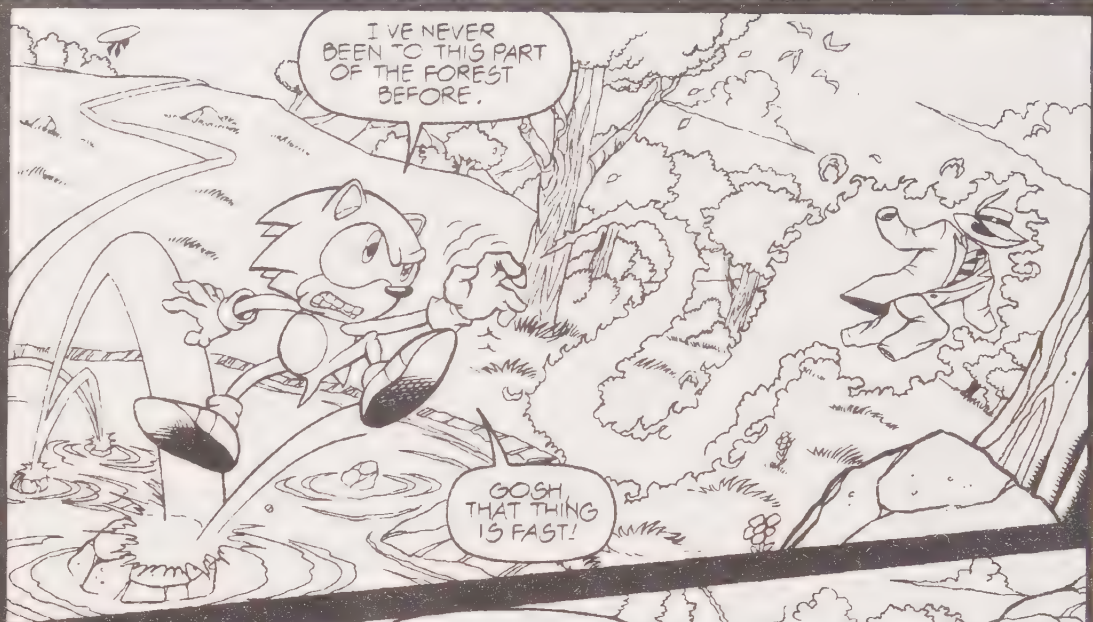
They struggle to overthrow the dictator and,
one day, regain what was once theirs.

Among them, the greatest of
The Freedom Fighters is the
fastest and way-coolest dude on two feet...
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

Now that Robotnik has been **defeated**, today
is the first day that a **long-awaited peace** can be
graciously enjoyed. On this fine morning, **Sonic** and
his tutelage, **Tails**, take time to themselves. Together
striving to develop the **talent** Sonic possesses that is
within Tails' reach: **the gift of speed!**

Let's watch...





IN ANOTHER TIME,
ANOTHER PLACE...

THE DISCOVERY ZONE PART 1

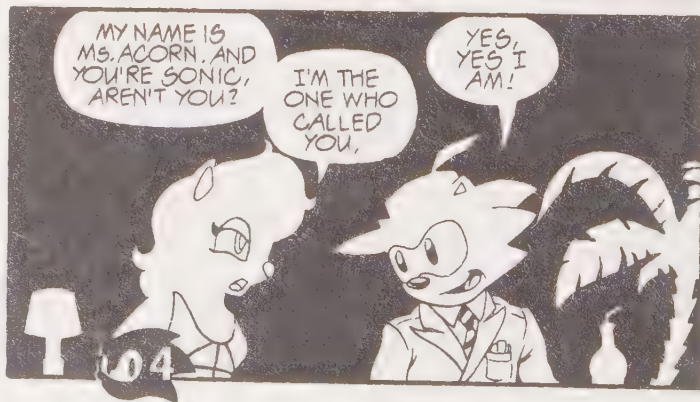
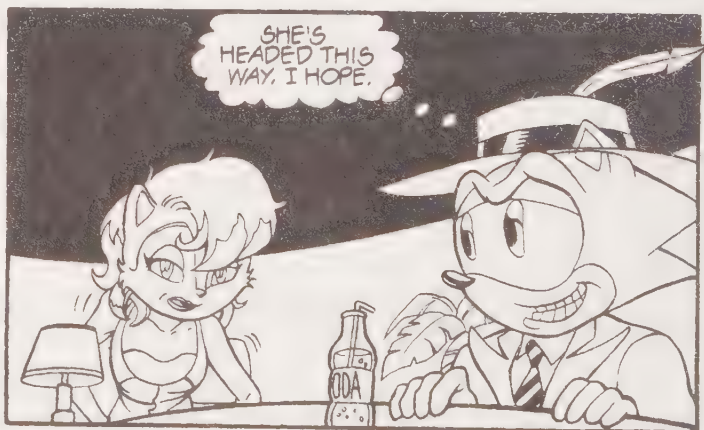
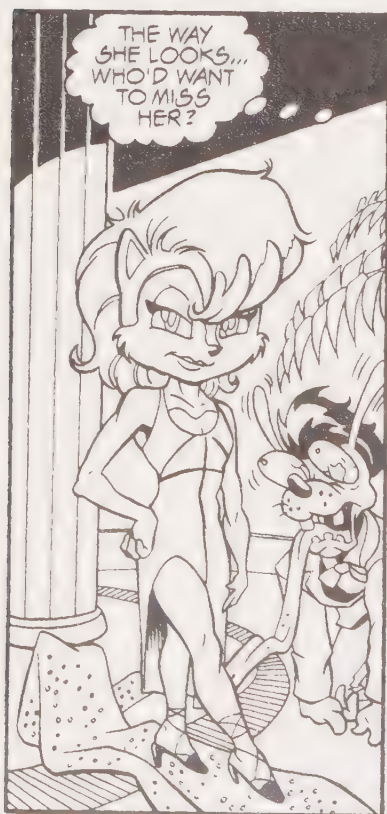
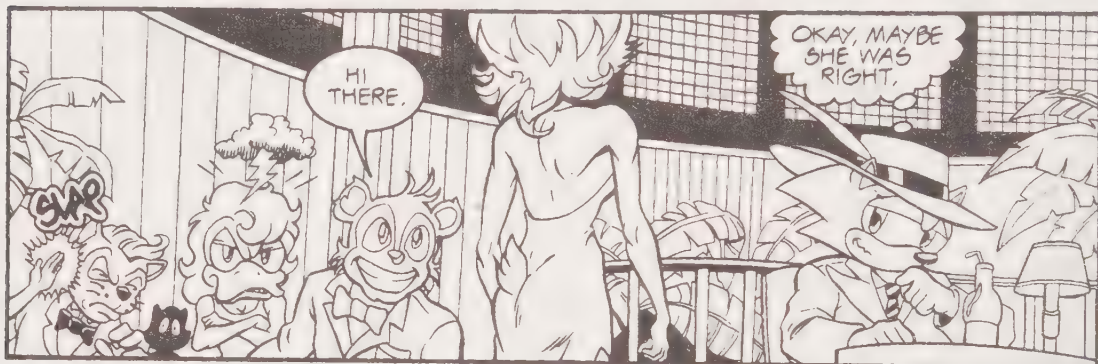
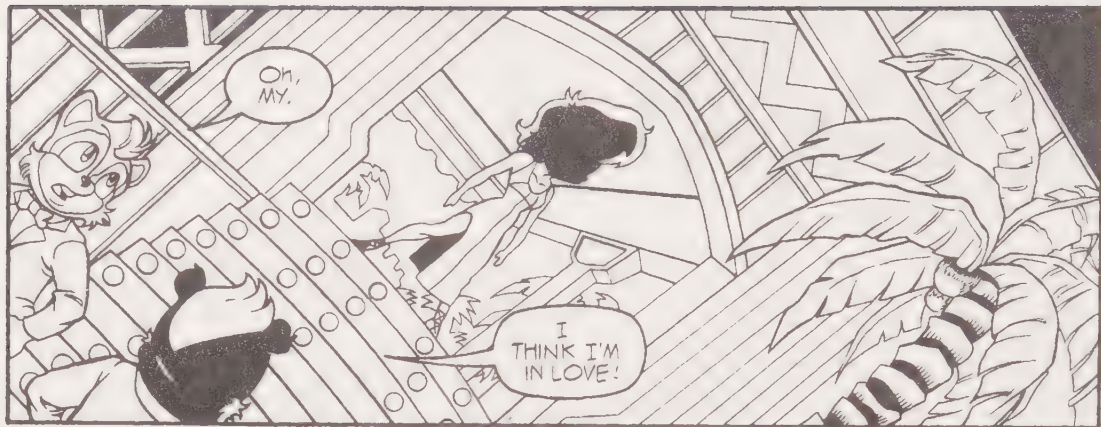
PEOPLE COME TO THIS CLASSY
ESTABLISHMENT TO DANCE,
AND GET AWAY FROM THE EVIL
DOCTOR AND HIS ROBOTIC ARMY.
THIS IS A SAFE HAVEN FOR THE
PEOPLE OF THIS CITY, FOR THIS IS
ONE PLACE THE DOCTOR'S ALL
SEEING EYES AND LISTENING EARS
ARE NOT.

WHARF SIDE
DANCE HALL

NO
ROBOTS

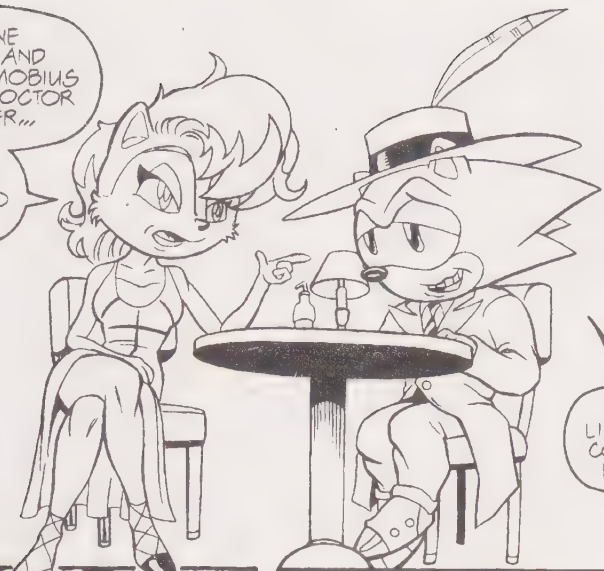
THE VOICE ON
THE PHONE SAID
THEY WOULDN'T
BE MISSED, WE'LL
SEE.

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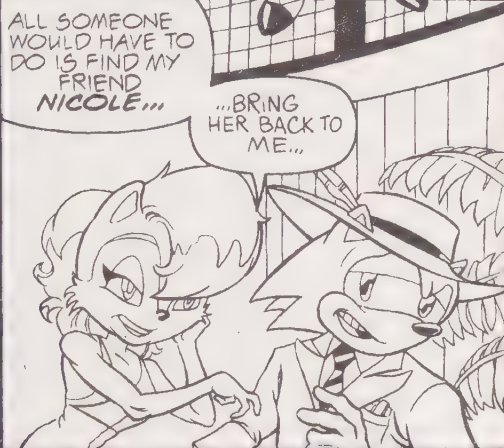


I KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO HAS THE POWER AND INFORMATION TO RID MOBIUS OF THAT HORRIBLE DOCTOR ROBOTNIK FOREVER...

...AND STOP HIM FROM TURNING GOOD PEOPLE INTO ROBOT SLAVES.



Uh, I'M LISTENING CONTINUE, PLEASE.



ALL SOMEONE WOULD HAVE TO DO IS FIND MY FRIEND NICOLE...

...BRING HER BACK TO ME...



...AND COLLECT A NICE, BIG, JUICY REWARD.

YOU'VE GOT YOURSELF A MAN!

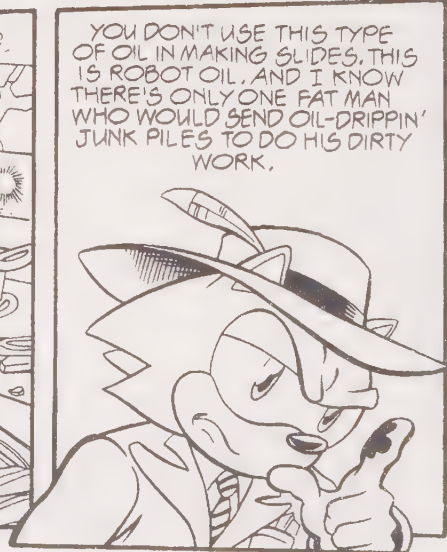
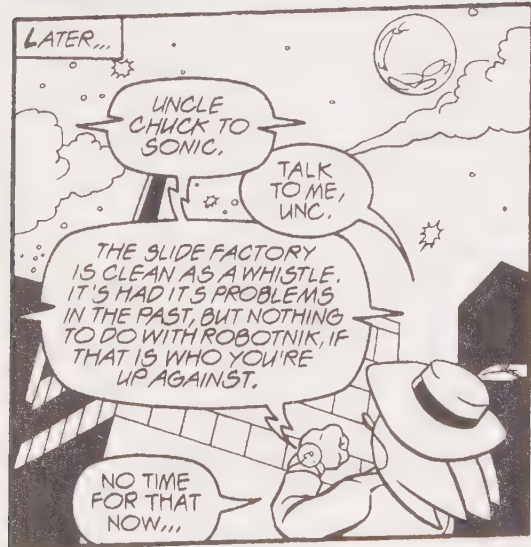
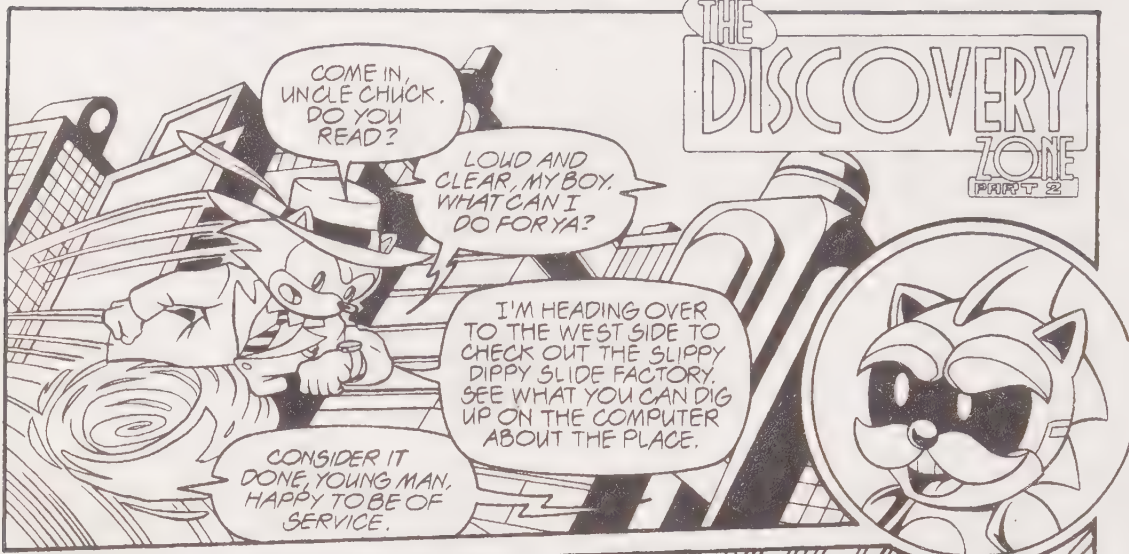


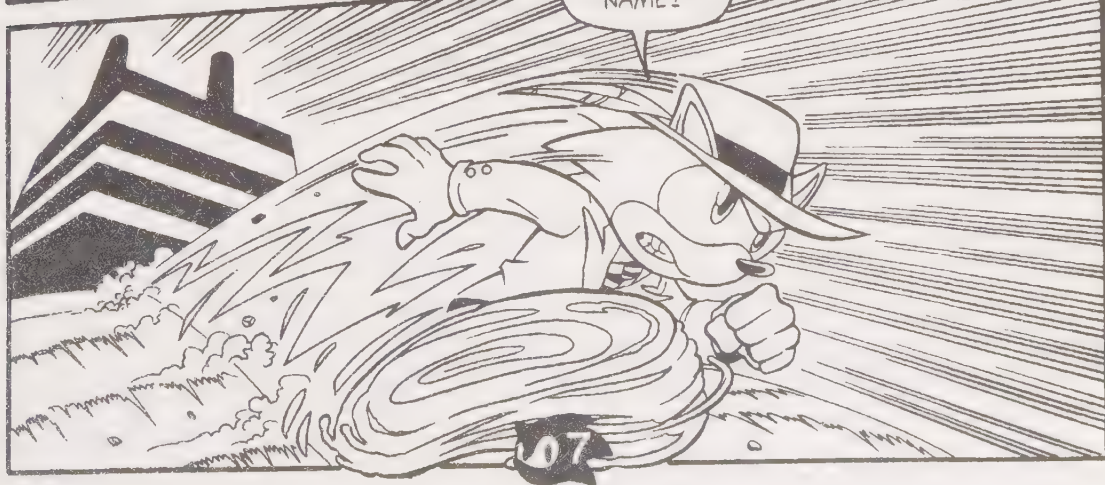
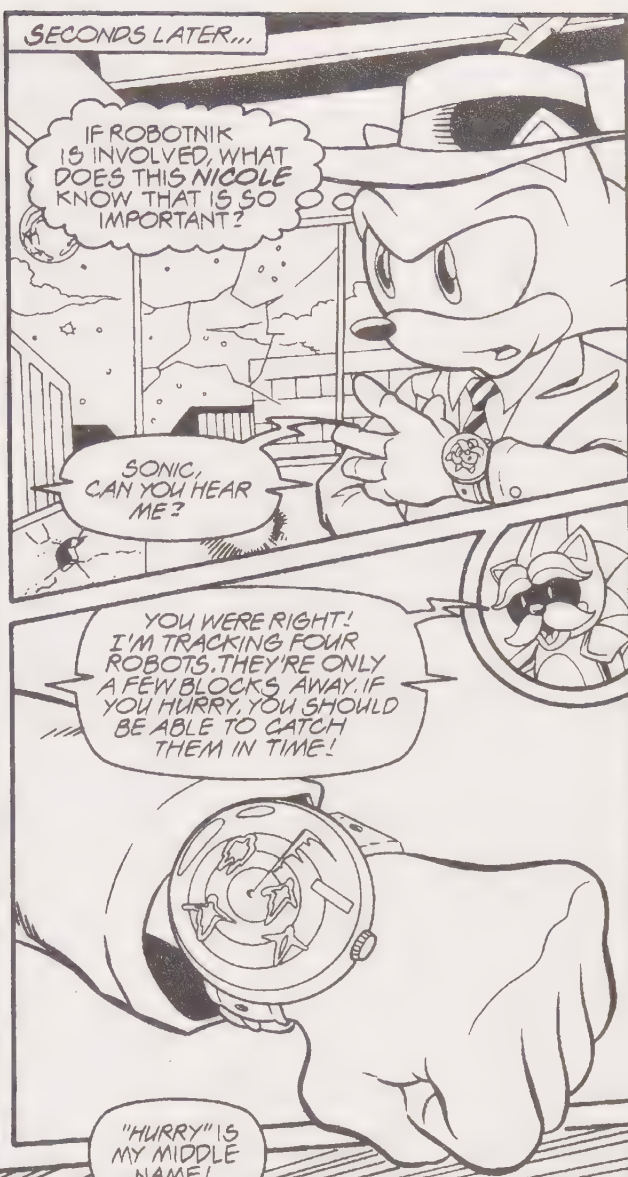
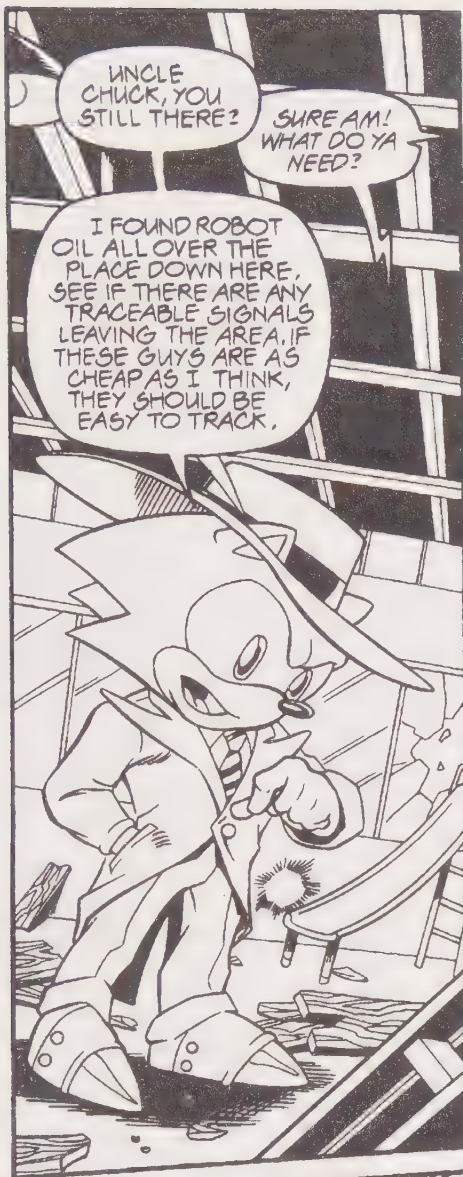
"SHE WAS LAST SEEN AT THE SLIPPY DIPPY SLIDE FACTORY, ON THE WEST SIDE!"

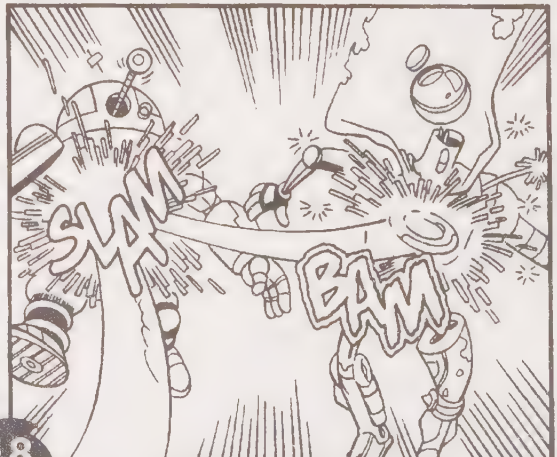
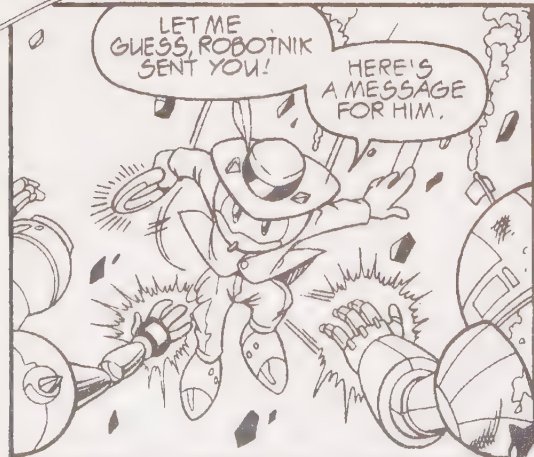
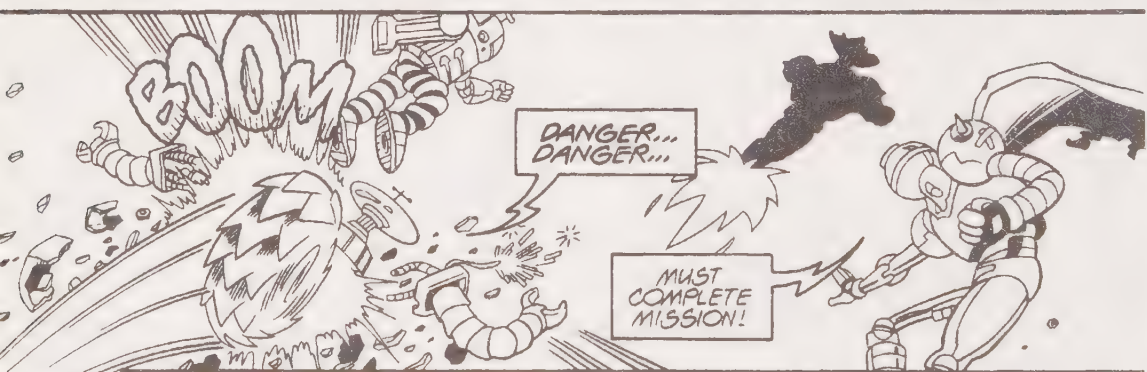
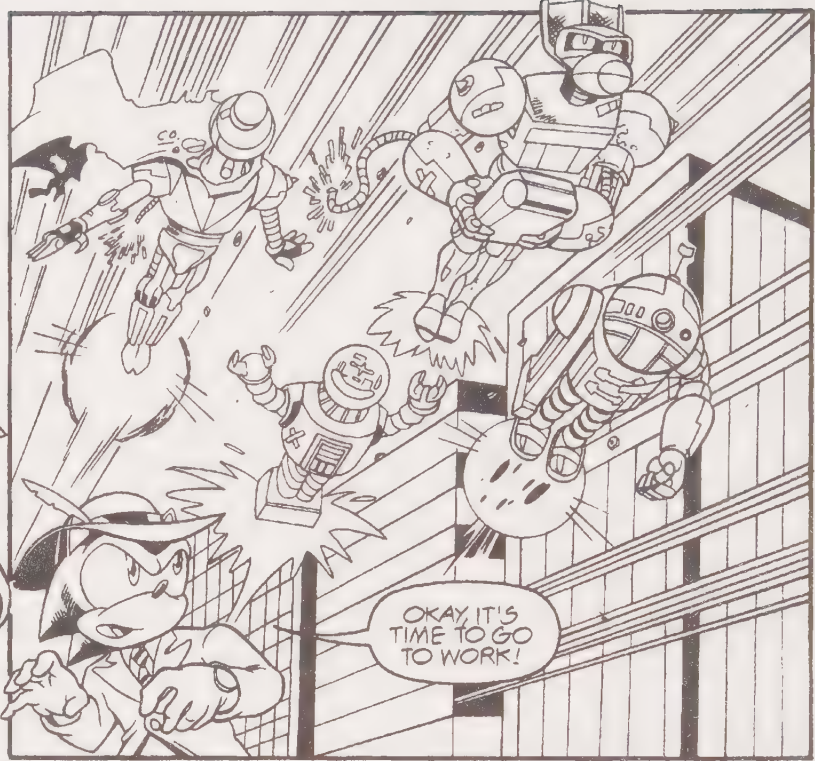
I'LL HAVE HER BACK IN YOUR PRETTY LITTLE HANDS IN NO TIME!

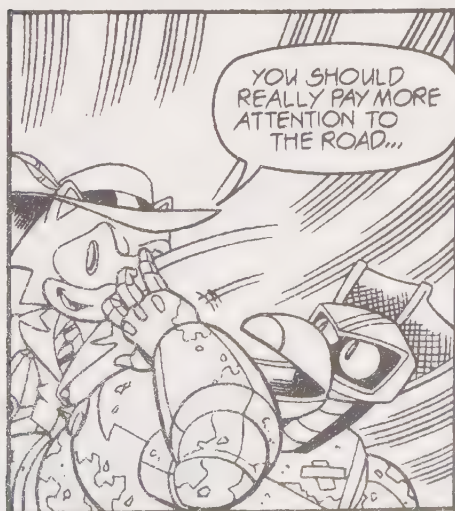
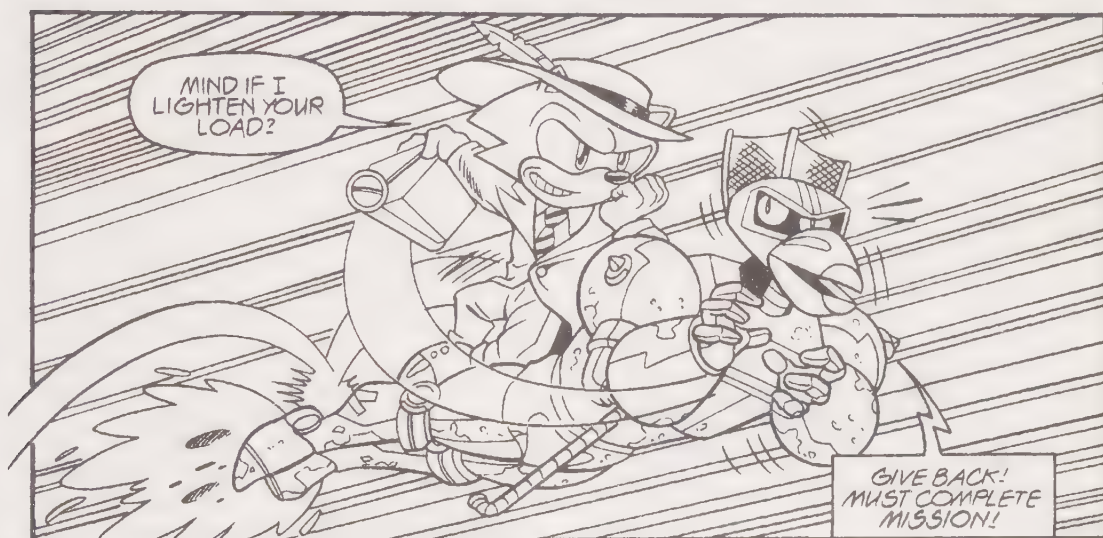
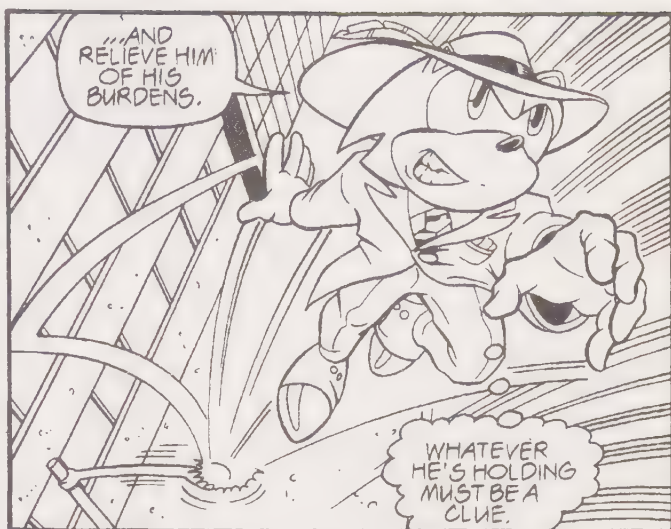
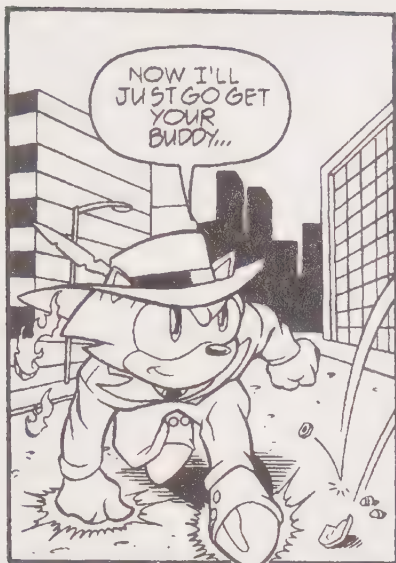
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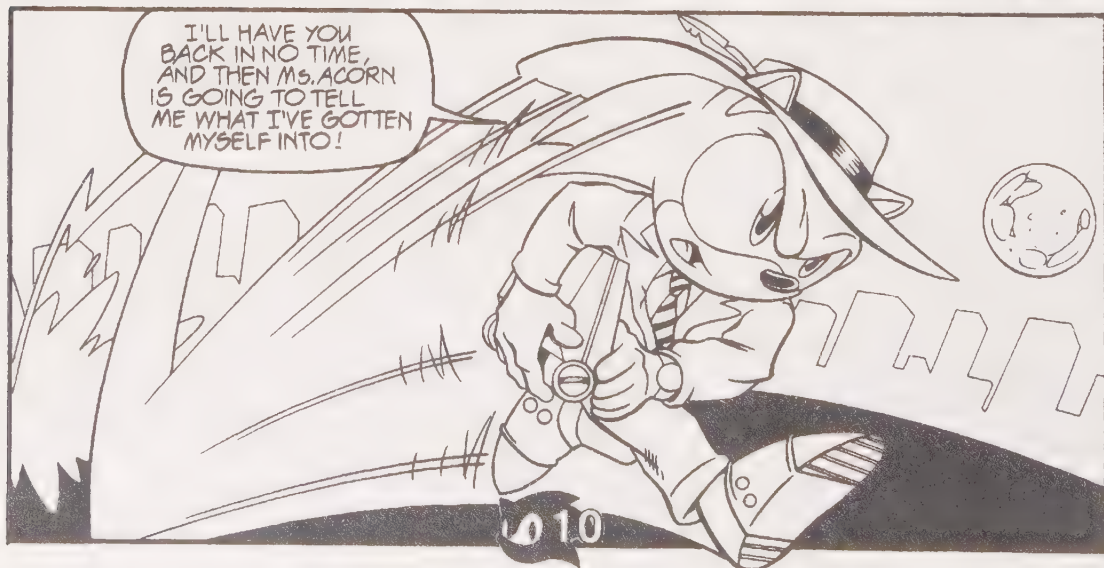
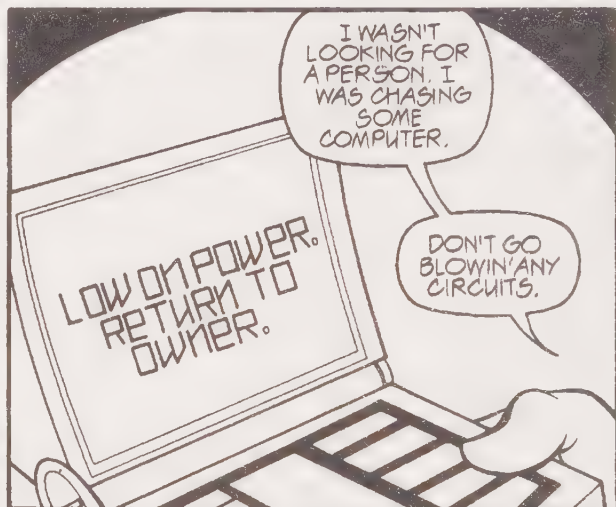
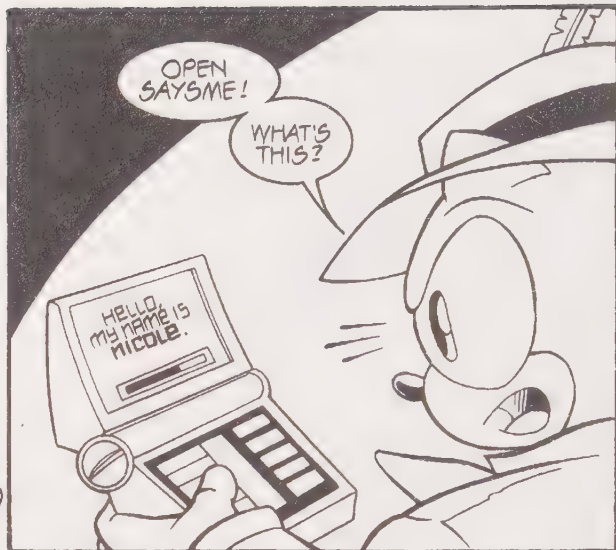
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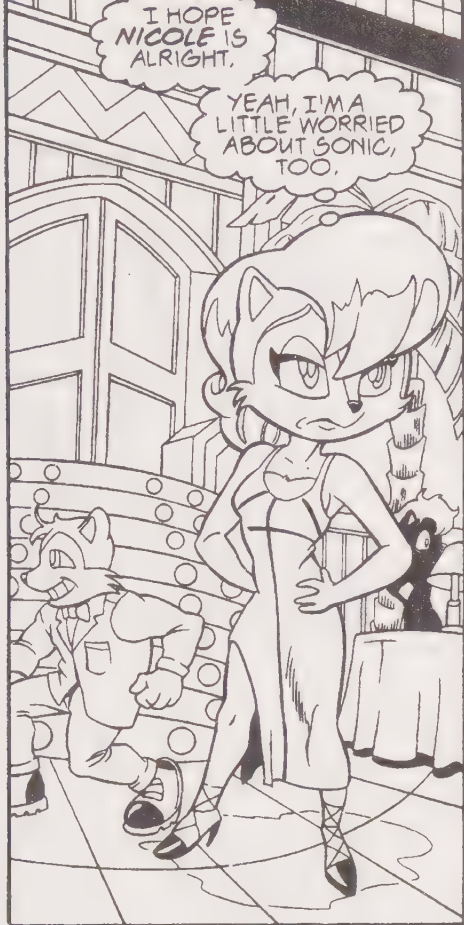






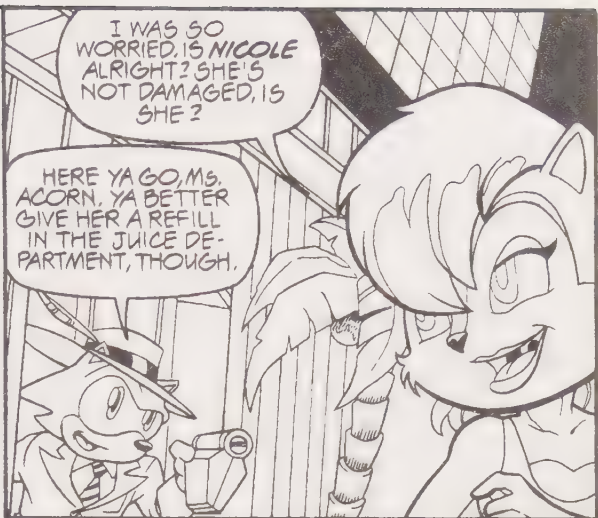


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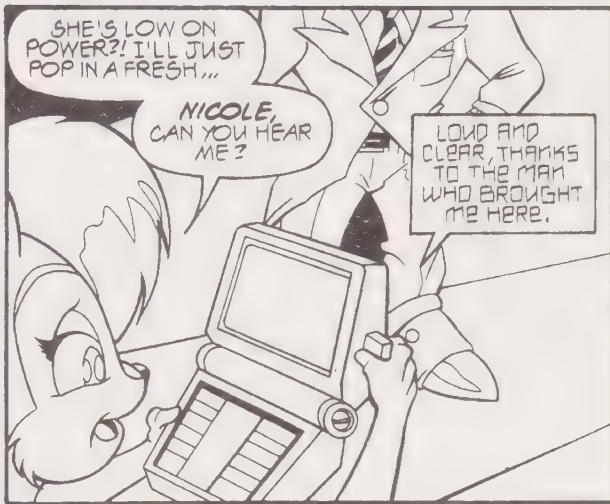
I HOPE NICOLE IS ALRIGHT.

YEAH, I'M A LITTLE WORRIED ABOUT SONIC, TOO.



I WAS SO WORRIED, IS NICOLE ALRIGHT? SHE'S NOT DAMAGED, IS SHE?

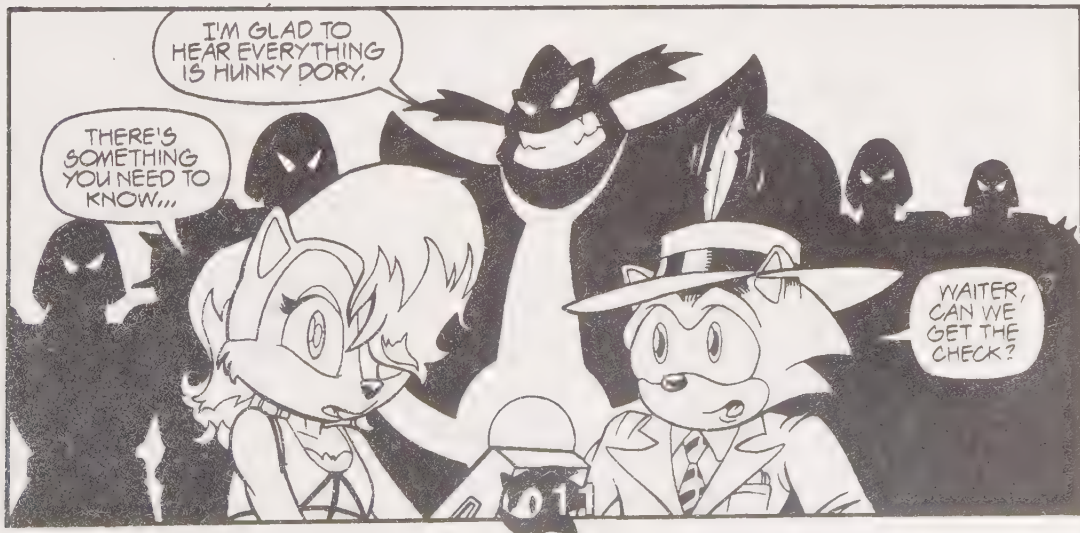
HERE YA GO, MS. ACORN. YA BETTER GIVE HER A REFILL IN THE JUICE DEPARTMENT, THOUGH.



SHE'S LOW ON POWER?! I'LL JUST POP IN A FRESH...

NICOLE, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

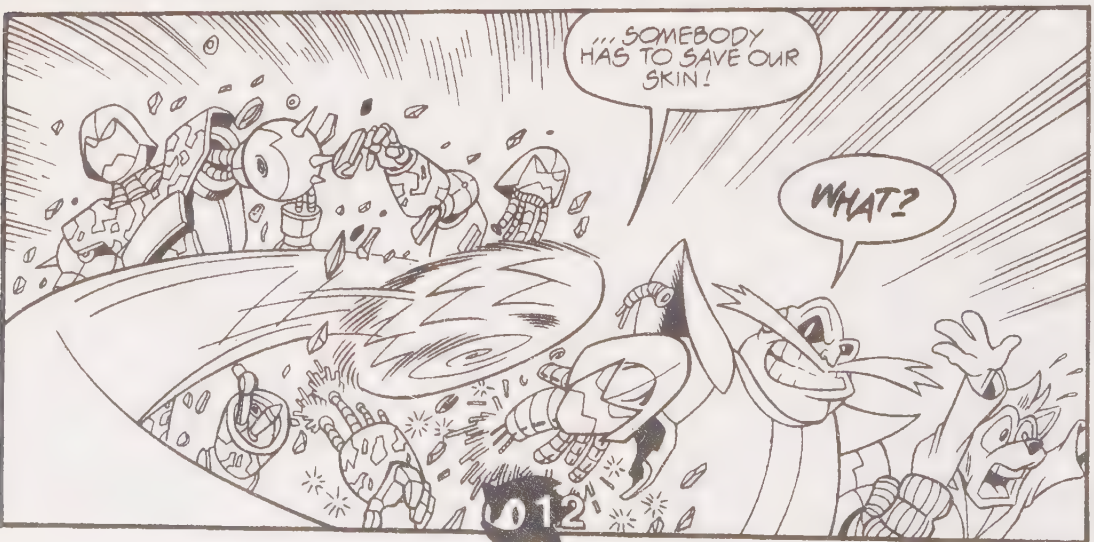
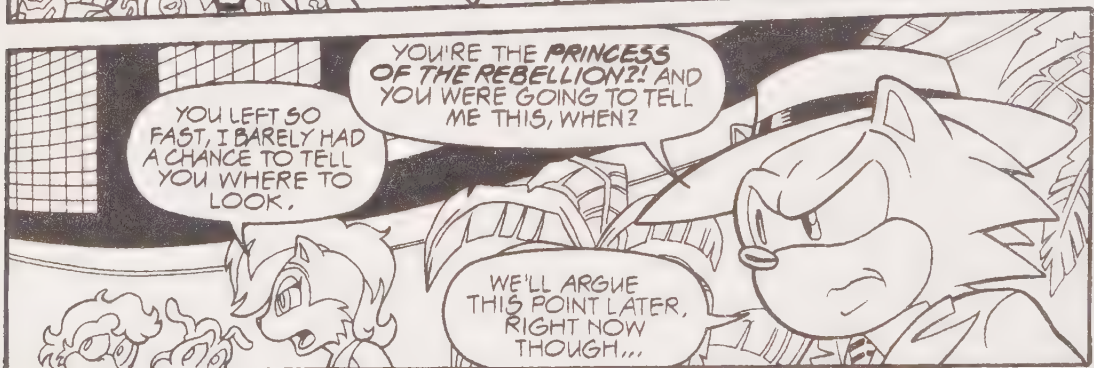
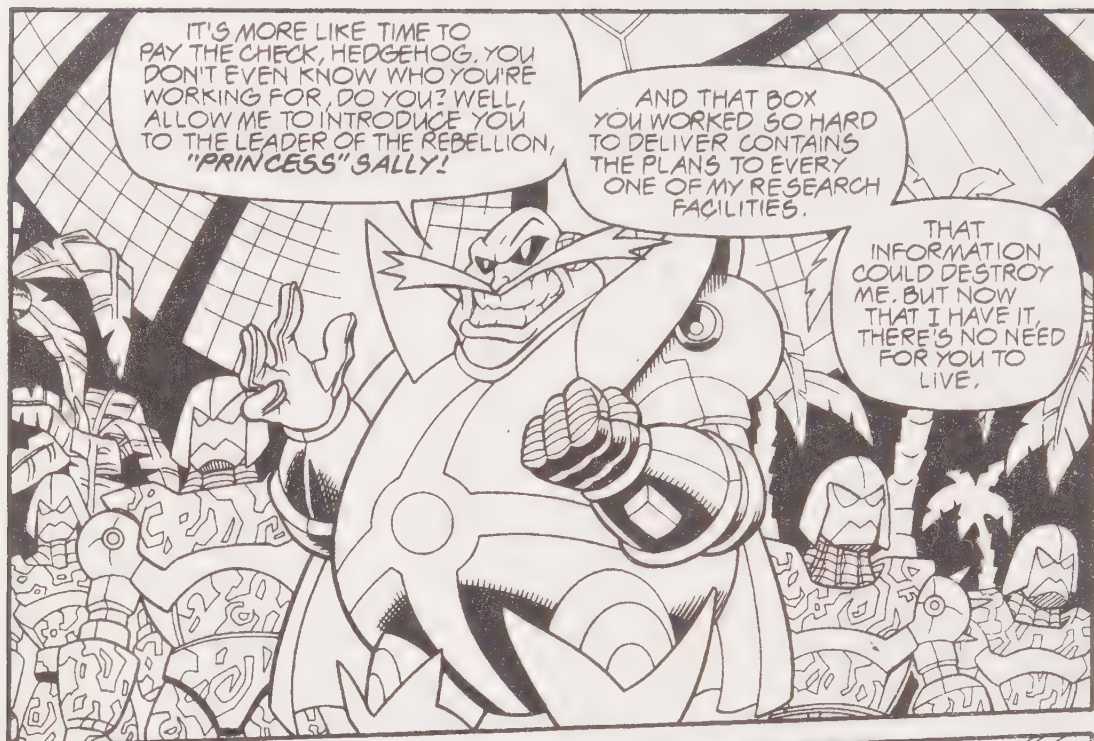
LOUD AND CLEAR, THANKS TO THE MAN WHO BROUGHT ME HERE.

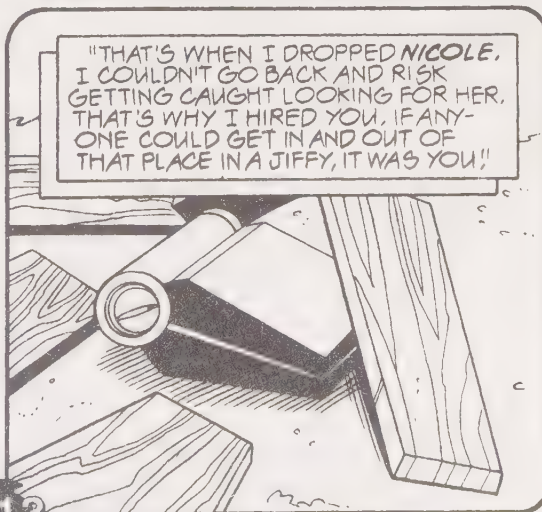
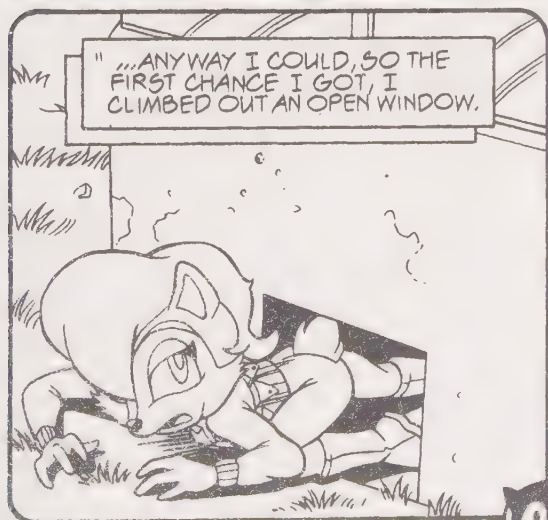
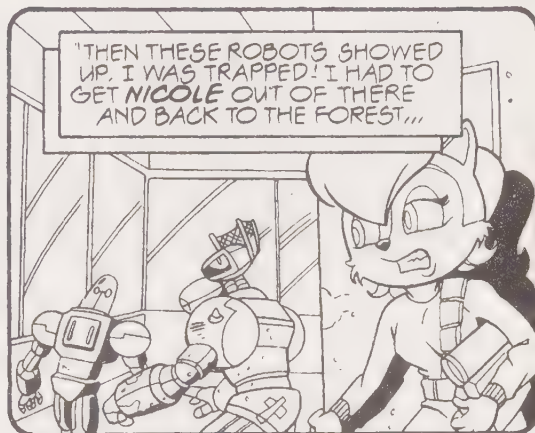
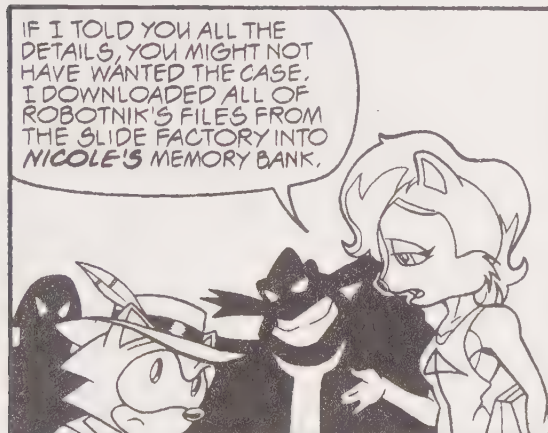
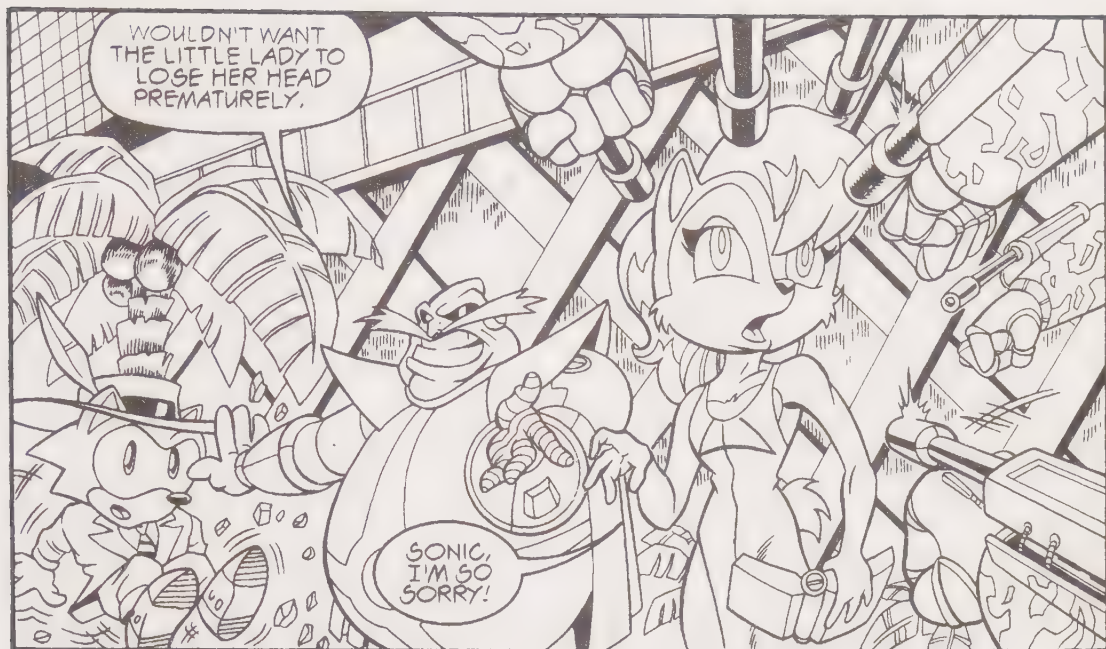


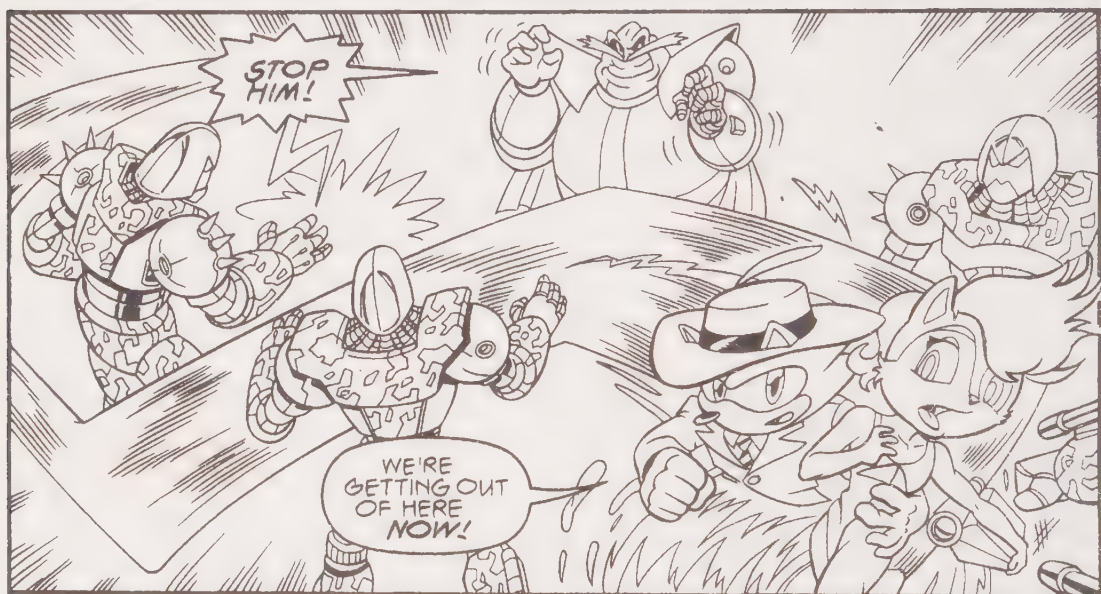
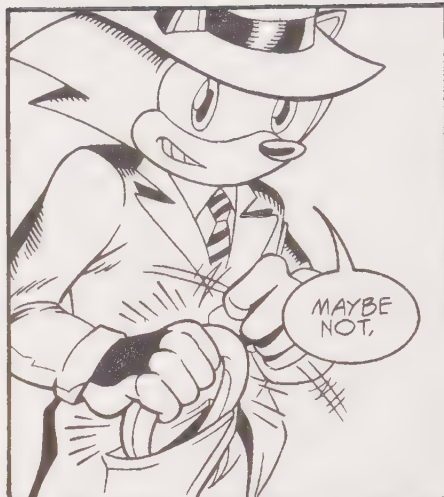
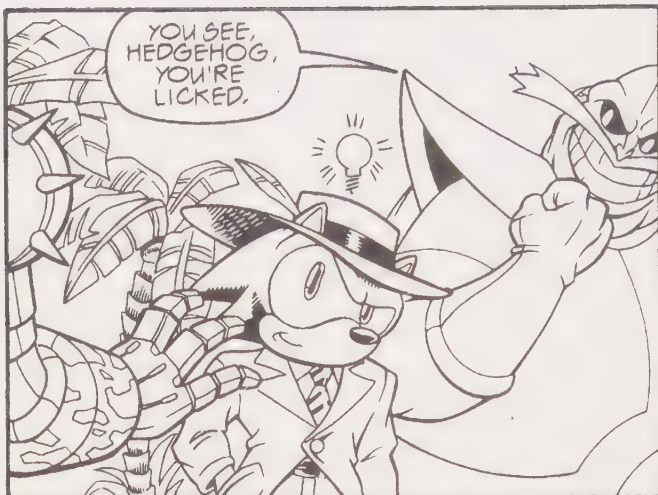
I'M GLAD TO HEAR EVERYTHING IS HUNKY DORY.

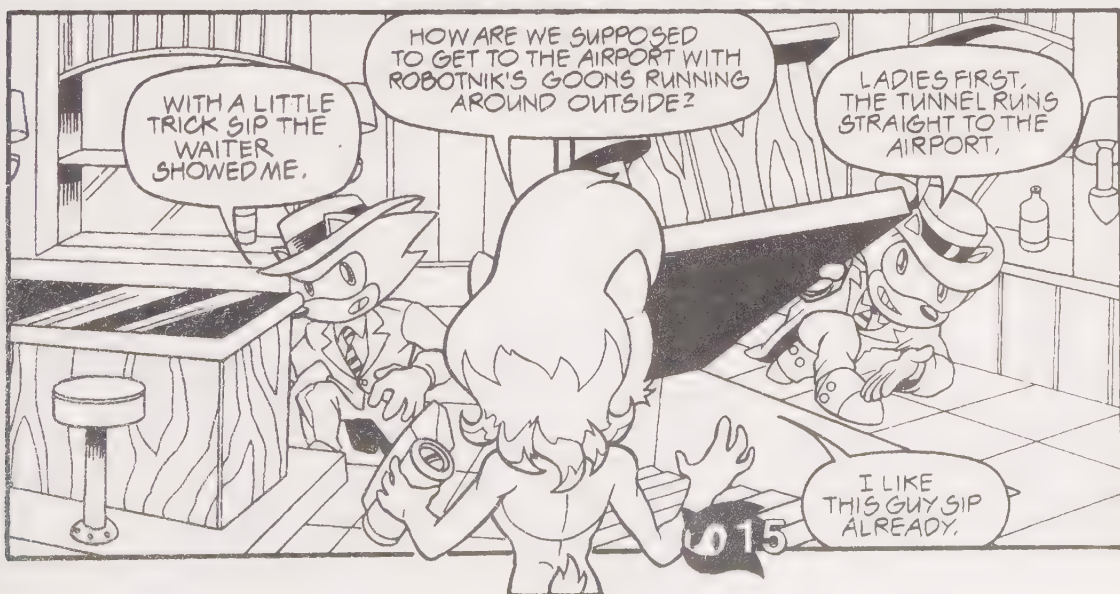
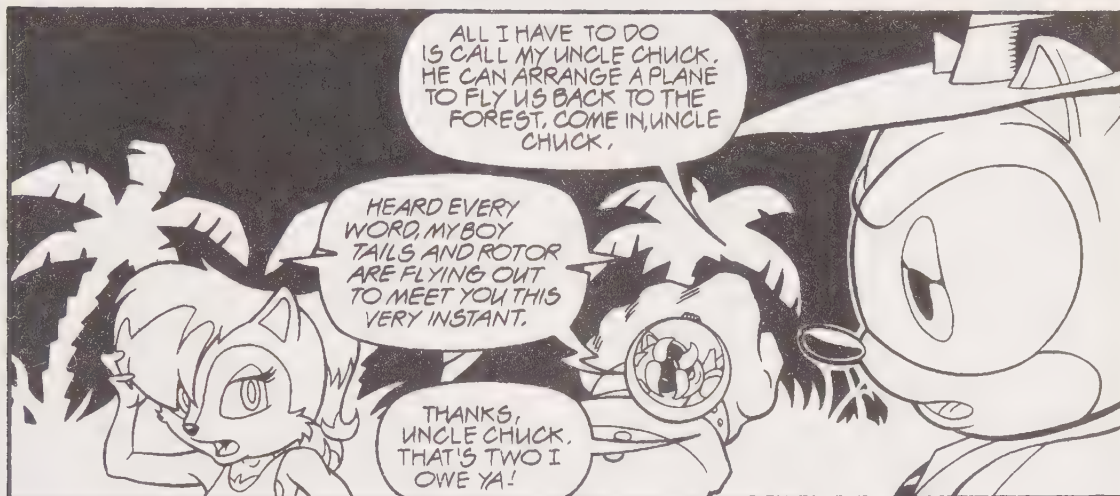
THERE'S SOMETHING YOU NEED TO KNOW...

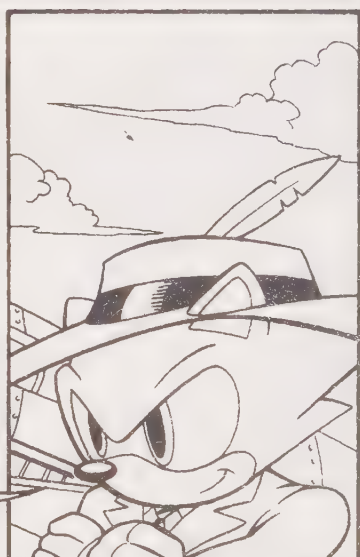
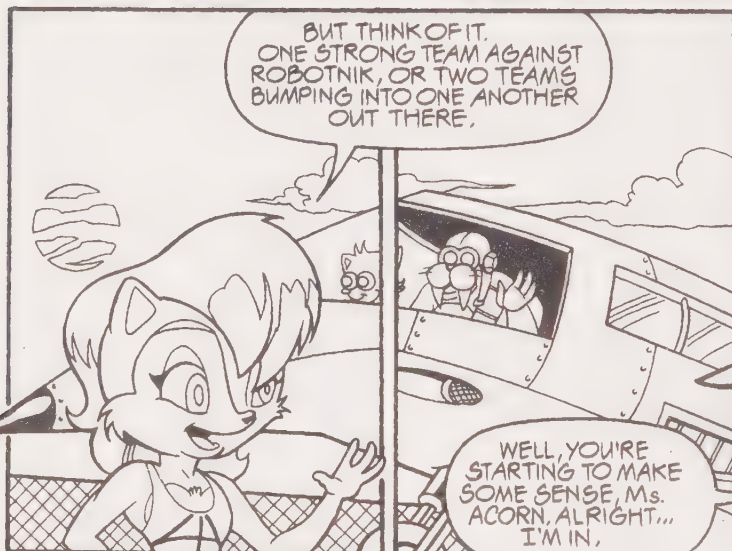
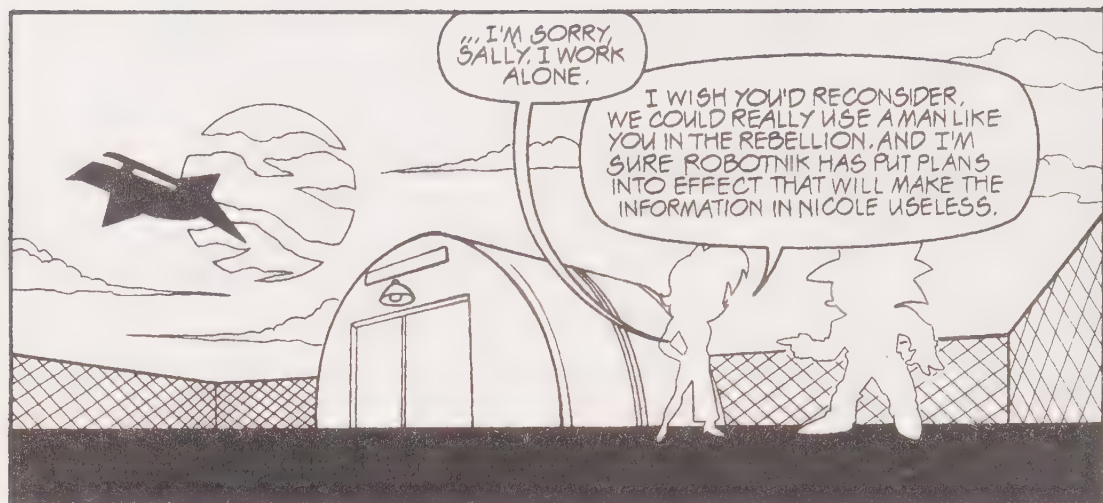
WAITER, CAN WE GET THE CHECK?

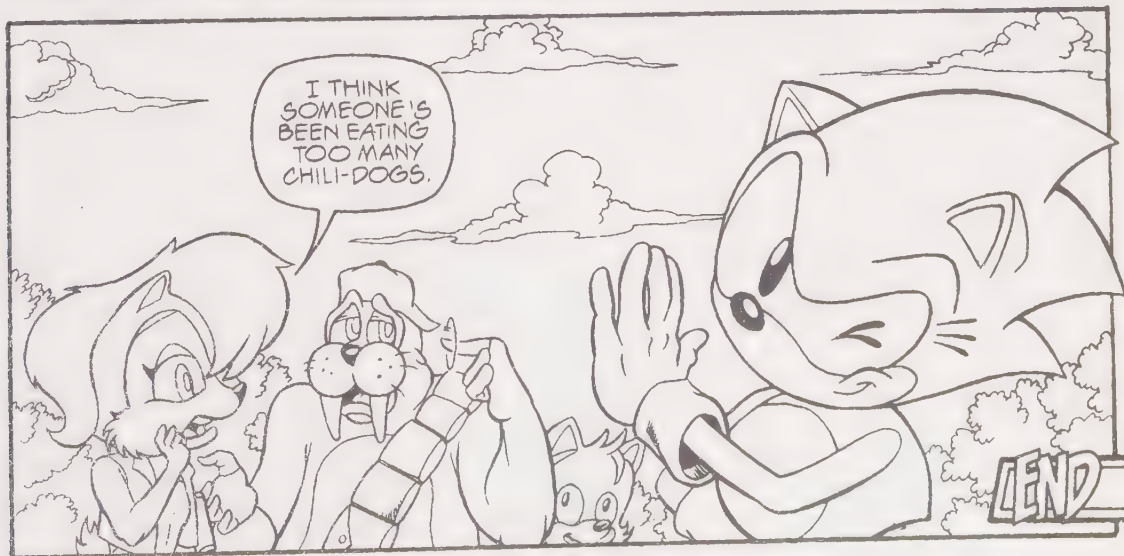
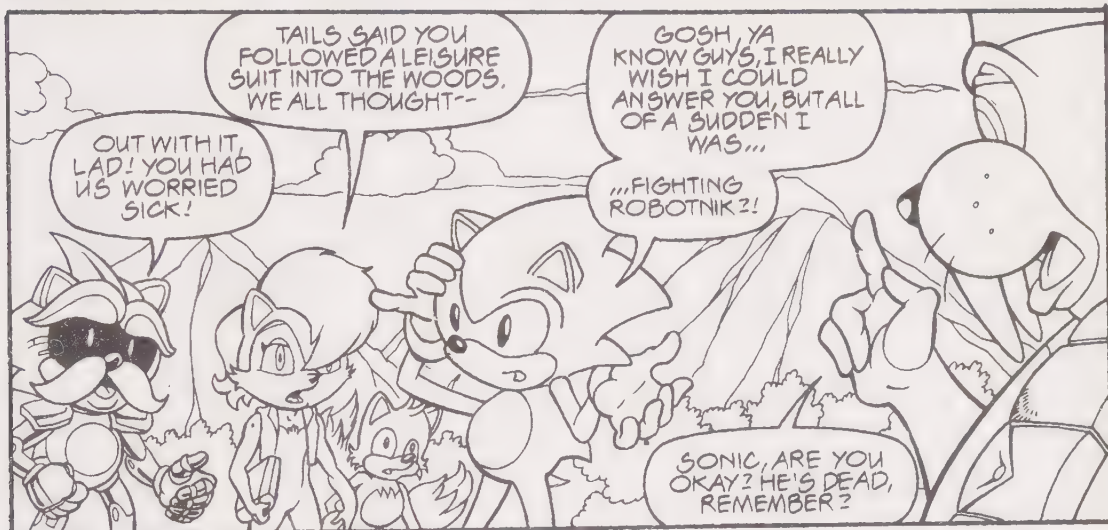
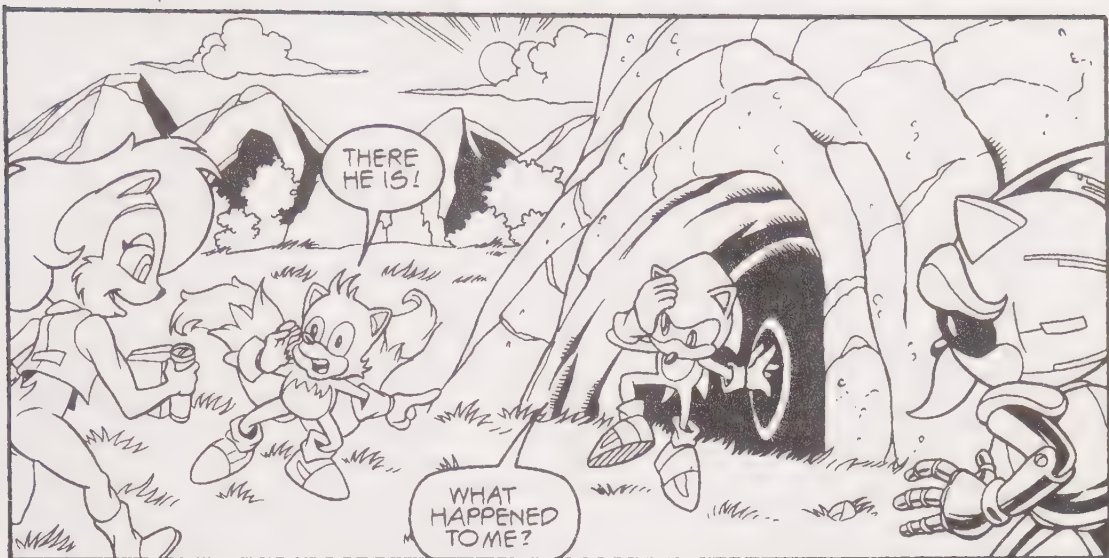


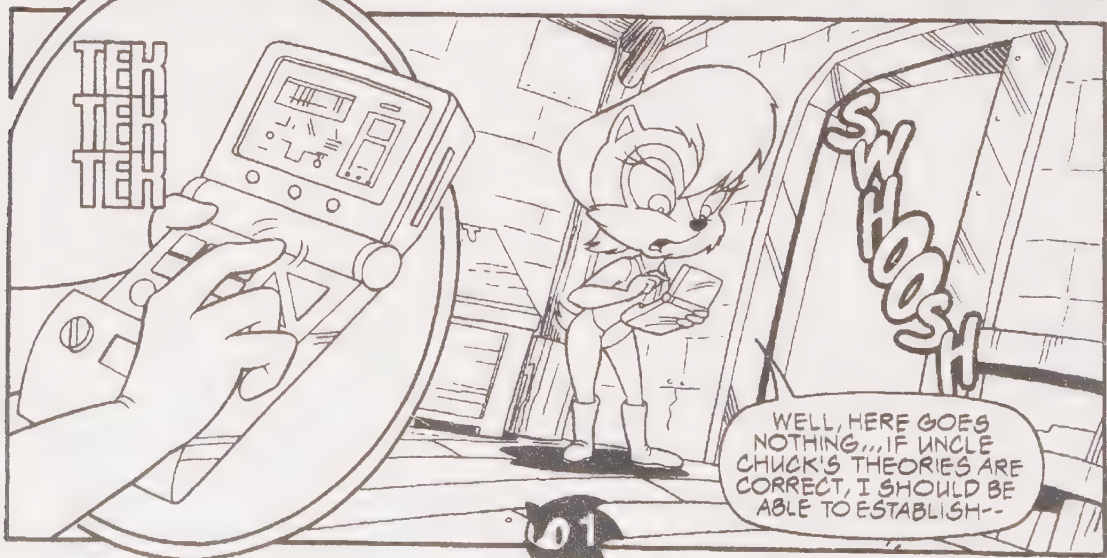
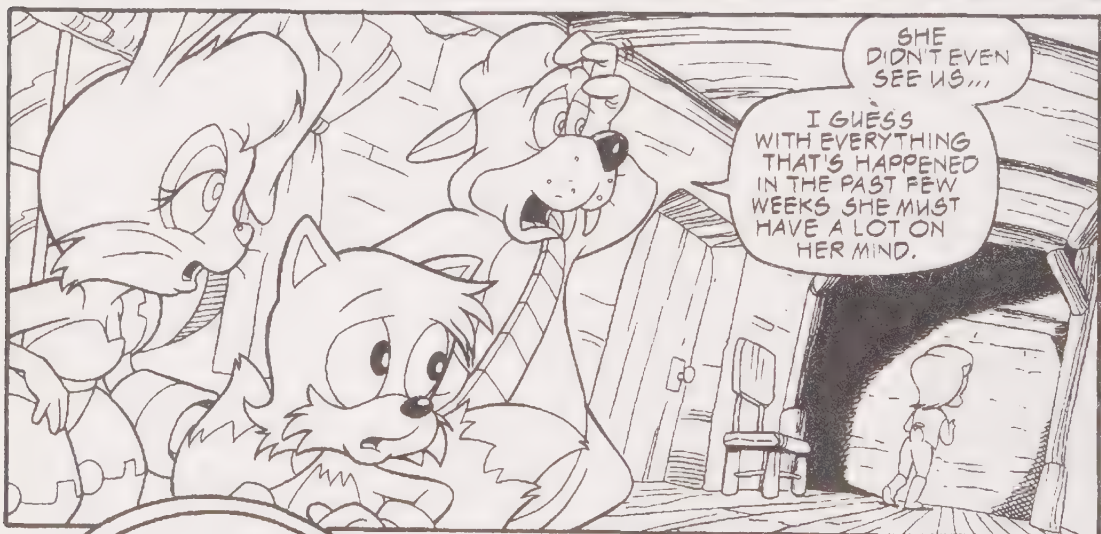
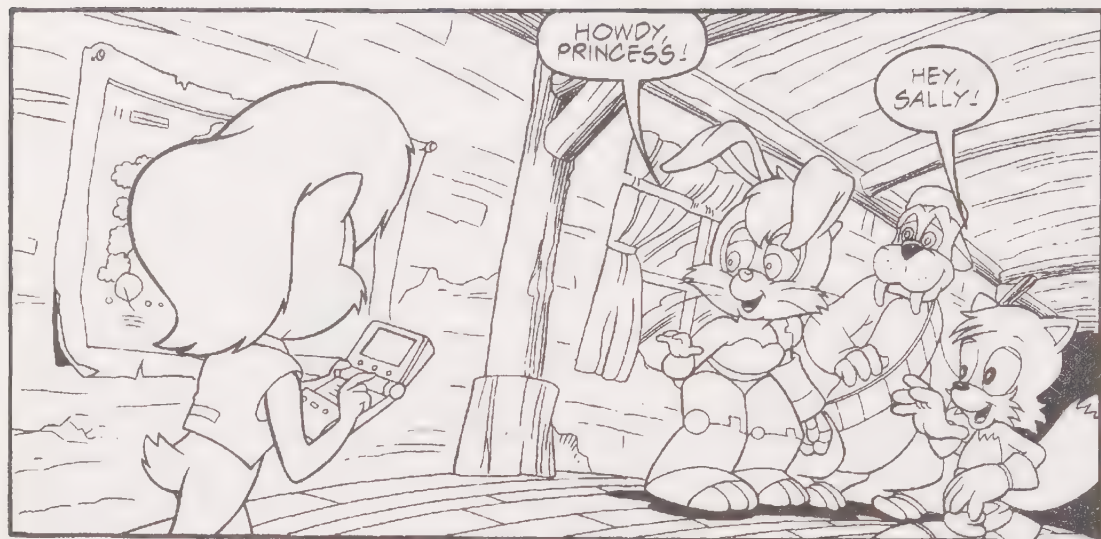


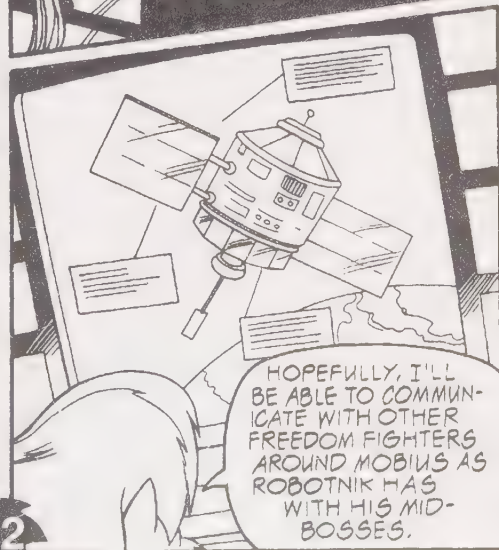


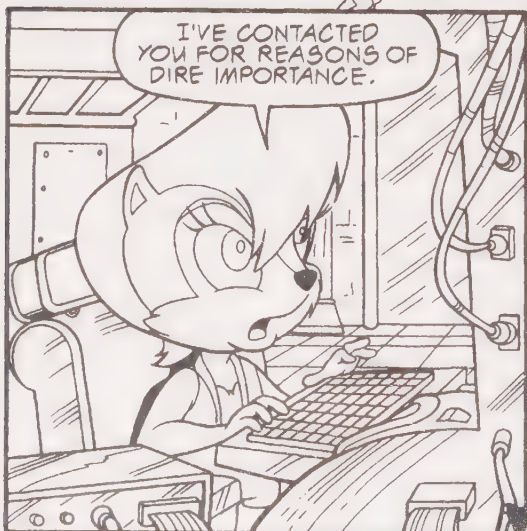
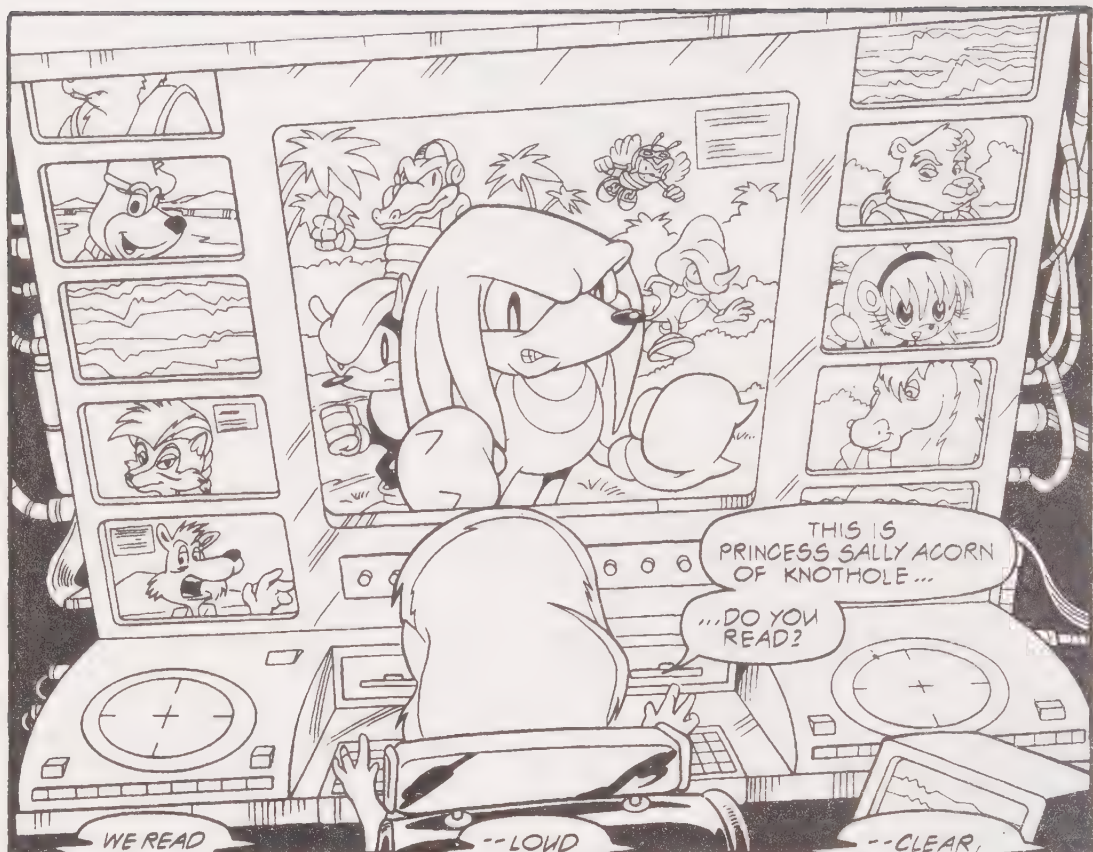


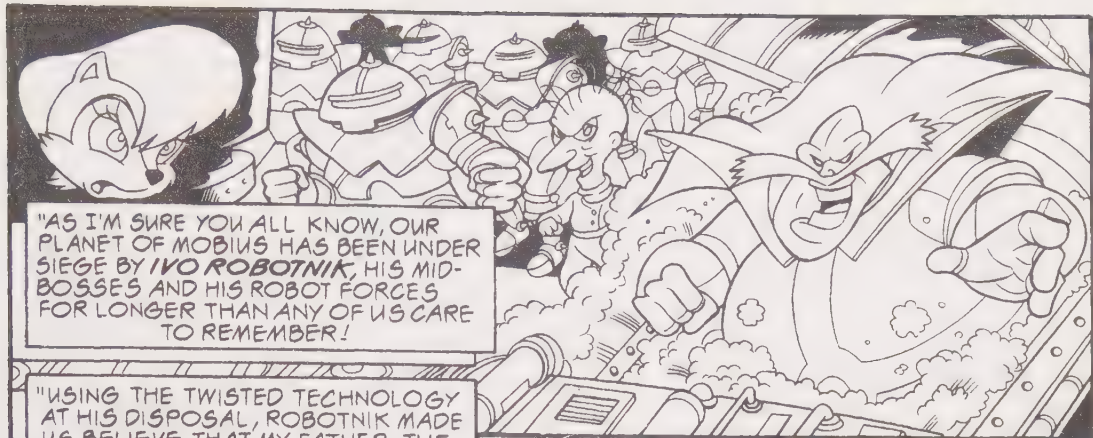












"AS I'M SURE YOU ALL KNOW, OUR PLANET OF MOBIUS HAS BEEN UNDER SIEGE BY **IVO ROBOTNIK**, HIS MID-BOSSSES AND HIS ROBOT FORCES FOR LONGER THAN ANY OF US CARE TO REMEMBER!

"USING THE TWISTED TECHNOLOGY AT HIS DISPOSAL, ROBOTNIK MADE US BELIEVE THAT MY FATHER, THE KING, HAD FINALLY RETURNED..."

"...WHEN IN FACT IT WAS PART OF ROBOTNIK'S PLAN TO--

"-- MAKE EVERYONE THINK THAT I'D HAD A FATAL FALL --

"-- FRAME SONIC THE HEDGEHOG FOR THE TREACHEROUS DEED--

"-- AND FINALLY FIND AND **ENSLAVE** KNOTHOLE VILLAGE!"

"MANAGING TO ESCAPE, SONIC HAD TO CONVINCE GEOFFREY ST. JOHN OF HIS INNOCENCE..."

"...BEFORE THEY COULD TEAM UP TO LIBERATE OUR HOME!"

"BUT BELIEVE ME, ROBOTNIK WASN'T GOING TO GO OUT EASY!"

"USING HIS DOOMSDAY DEVICE, THE **ULTIMATE ANNIHILATOR**, HE SOUGHT TO **ERASE** ALL OF EXISTENCE."

"INSTEAD, HIS PLAN BACKFIRED!"

"I AWAKENED FROM MY DEATH-LIKE COMA TO FIND THAT ROBOTNIK WAS GONE FOREVER, SONIC WAS A HERO, AND MY TRUE FATHER WAS **ALIVE!**"

"WE PLAN TO ENTER INTO ROBOTROPOLIS TOMORROW MORNING TO ASCERTAIN THE DAMAGE DONE TO OUR FORMER CAPITAL. THIS IS A GREAT STEP TOWARD A FREE MOBIUS."

AS POSITIVE AS THAT SOUNDS... I'M SAD TO SAY THAT THINGS DIDN'T TURN OUT AS HAPPILY EVER AFTER AS WE'D HOPED.

WHAT DO YE MEAN, PRINCESS?

"WELL, ROBOTNIK'S DOOMSDAY DEVICE MALFUNCTIONED APPARENTLY DESTROYING HIM IN THE PROCESS..."

"BUT IT ALSO OPENED A SERIES OF WHAT OUR SCIENTISTS ARE CALLING ZONES OR..."

"...ALTERNATE REALITIES IN RANDOM APPEARANCES AROUND THE PLANET! SONIC FELL INTO ONE BY A CAVE TODAY THAT DISAPPEARED ALMOST IMMEDIATELY.*

"EVEN KNOTHOLE VILLAGE EXISTS IN A TEMPORAL ZONE THREE HOURS AHEAD. THE ONLY WAY IN AND OUT IS THROUGH THE GREAT OAK SLIDE."

*SEE MAIN STORY. --EDITOR.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR US, SALLY?

BEWARE THE ZONES. THEY ARE ALL--

WELL, I HOPE I'VE GIVEN THEM ENOUGH INFO TO STAY CLEAR OF THE ZONES.

--OVER! NO! WHAT HAPPENED, NICOLE?

ONLY TIME WILL TELL, PRINCESS. ONLY TIME WILL TELL.

SATELLITE UPLINK HAS DETERIORATED, PRINCESS.

End.

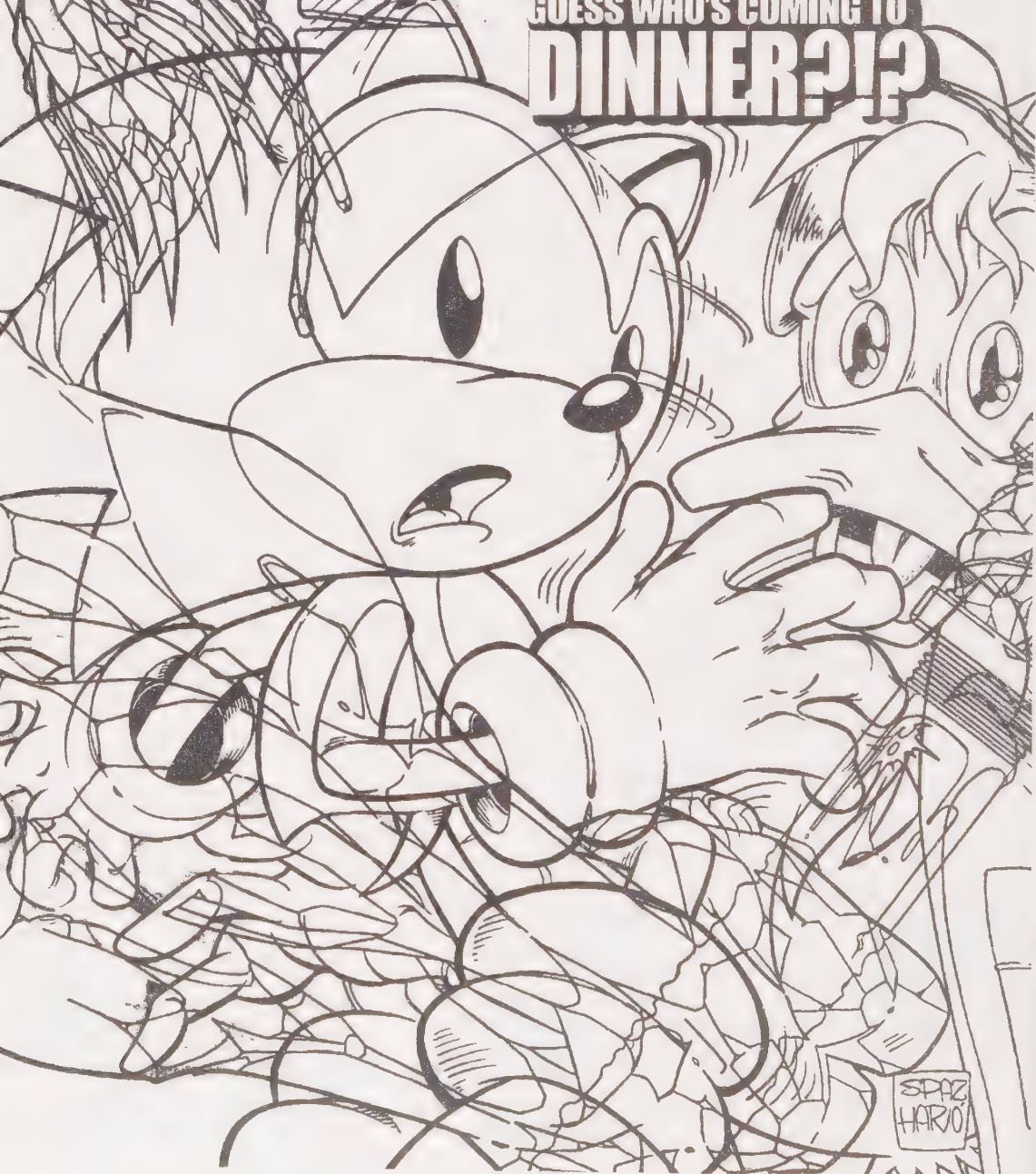
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GUESS WHO'S COMING TO
DINNER?!



Once a virtual paradise, the planet Mobius was enslaved when conquered by the techno-evil of Doctor Robotnik.

In the aftermath, a courageous group of "Freedom Fighters" has risen to restore the order and beauty that was once theirs. The greatest among them is the fastest and way-coolest dude on two feet...

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Now war-time has at long last ended and a brave new world has started to emerge.

Its emergence, however, isn't easy.

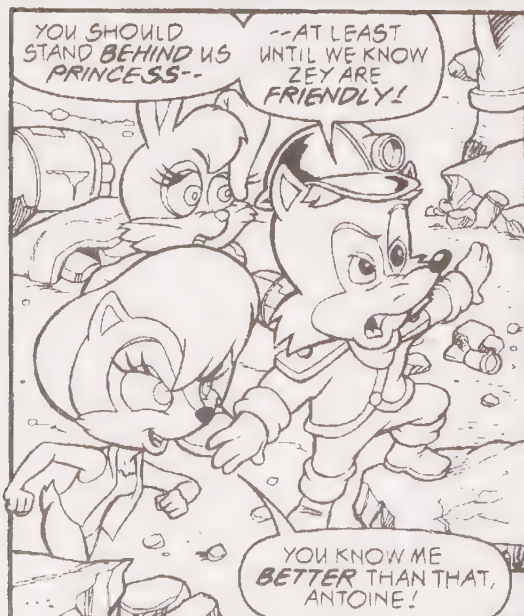
Especially in the city of Mobotropolis.

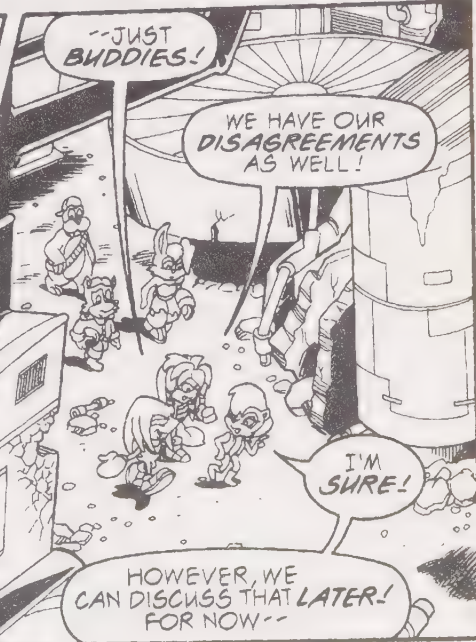
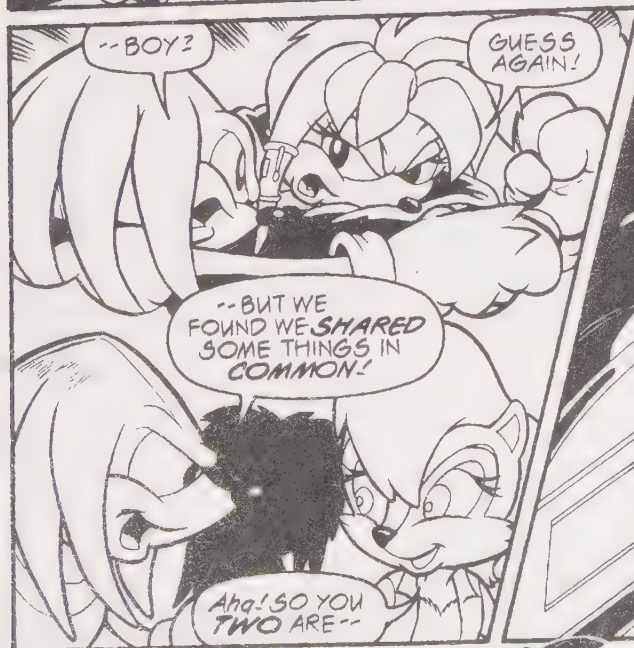
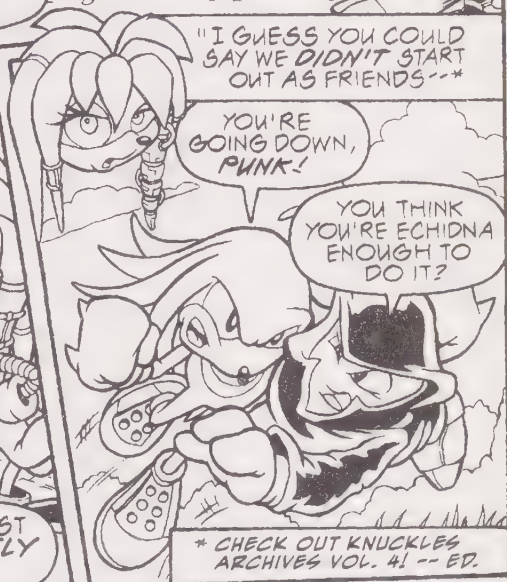
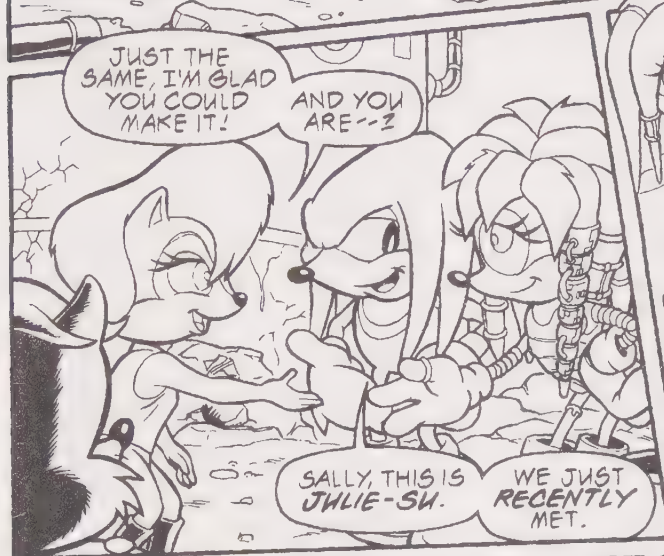
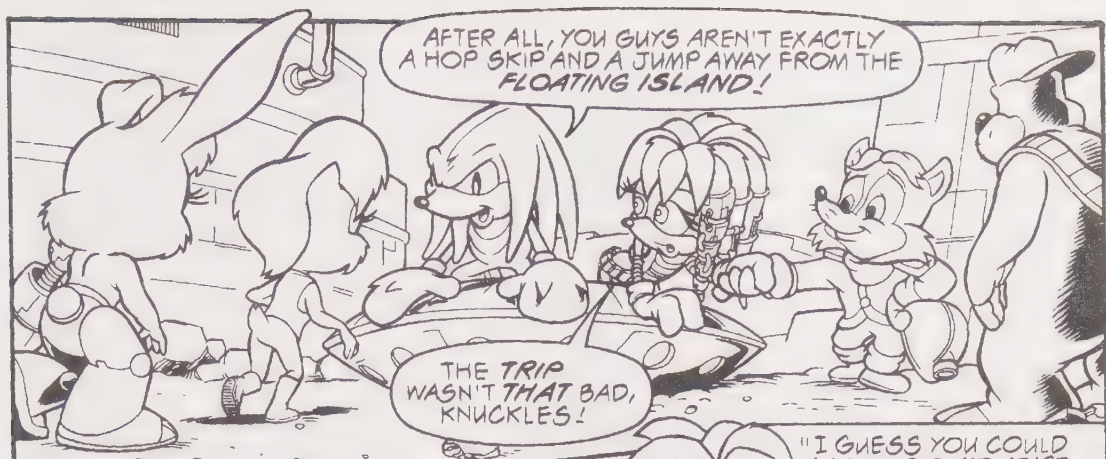
Before the Knothole Villagers can transport themselves here, The Freedom Fighters begin their awesome task of dismantling the fiendish devices left by Robotnik as a safety precaution.

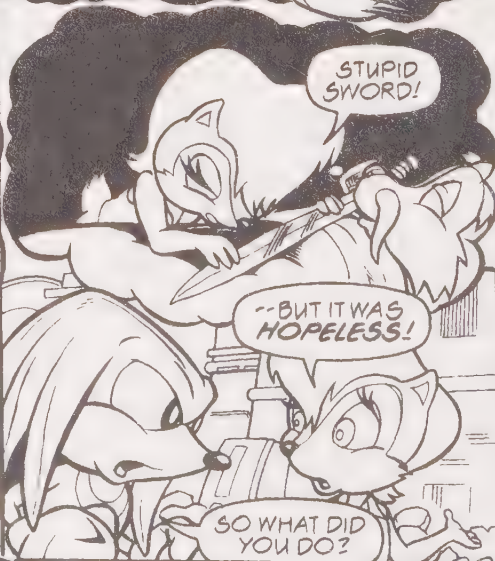
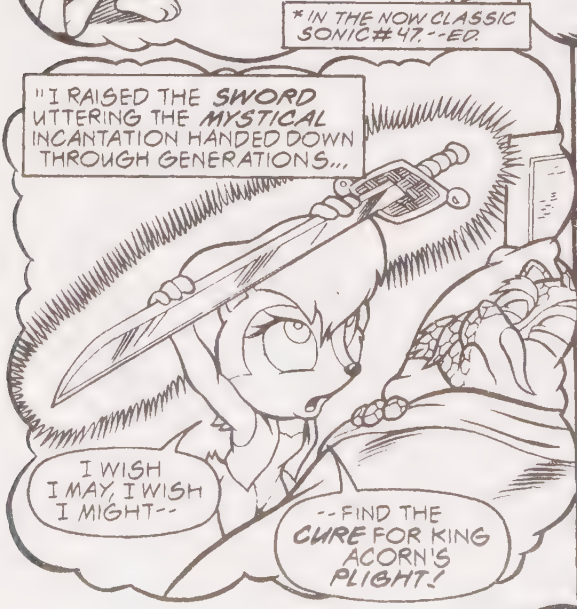
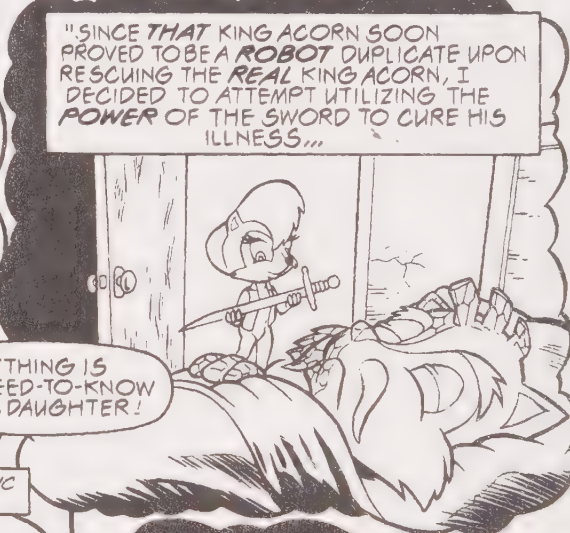
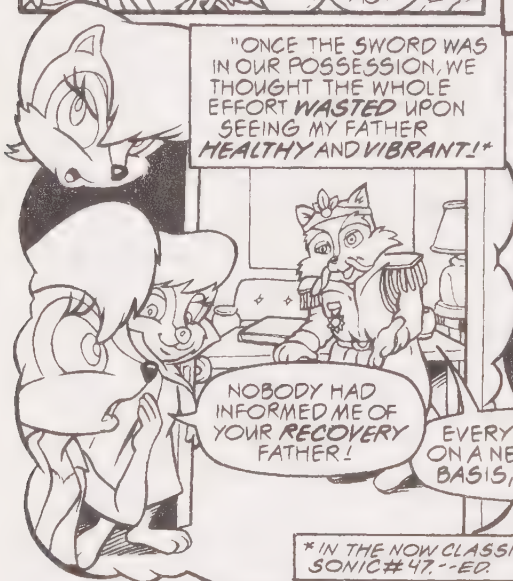
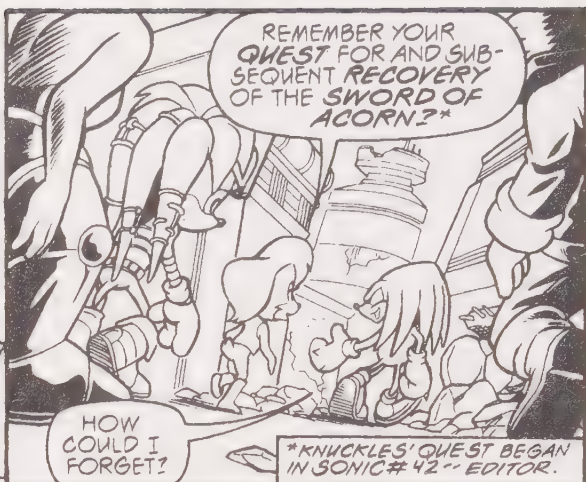
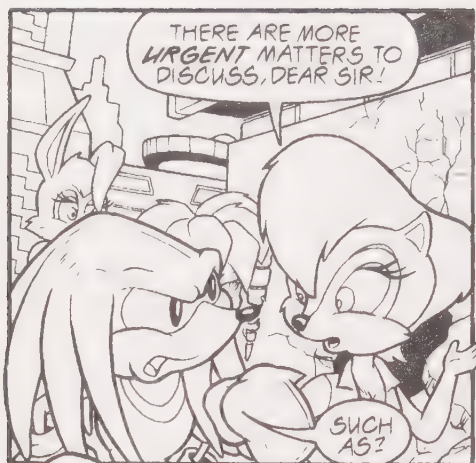
Little do they know of the secrets they will unleash.

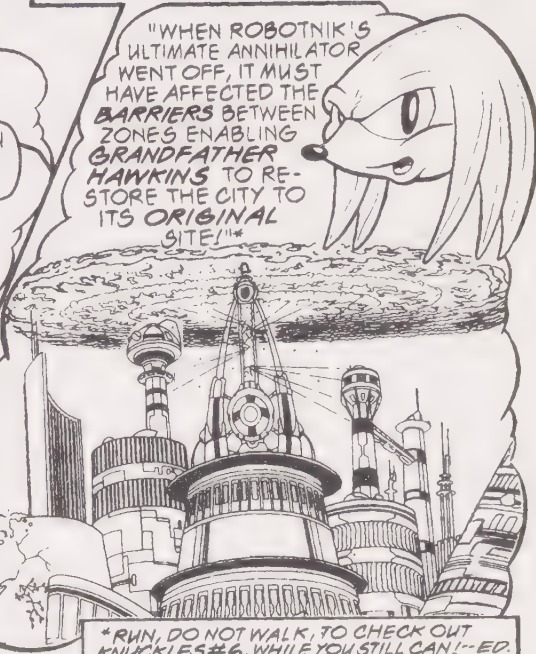
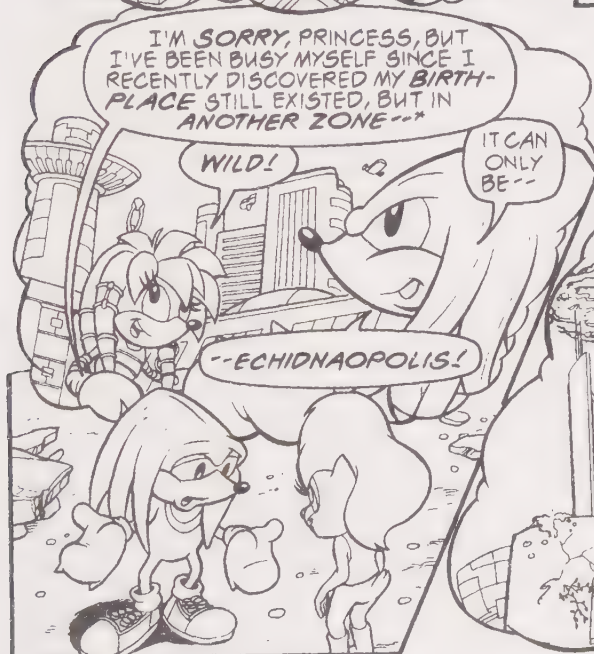
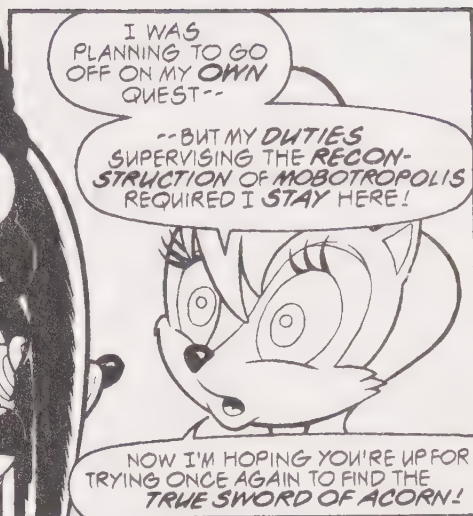
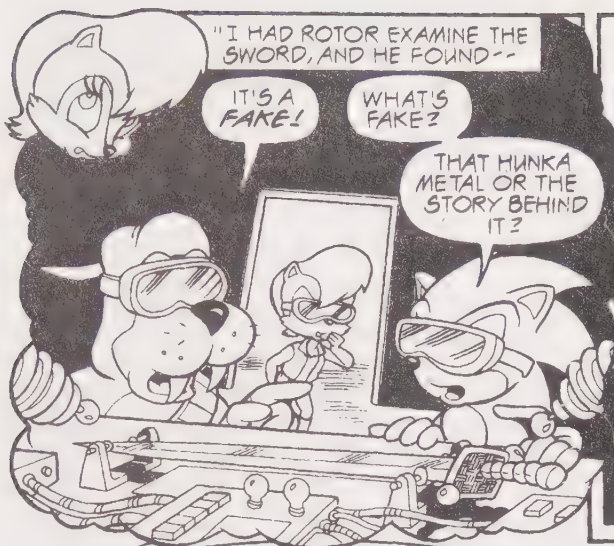
Secrets of a past best left forgotten!

Especially for one King Acorn...

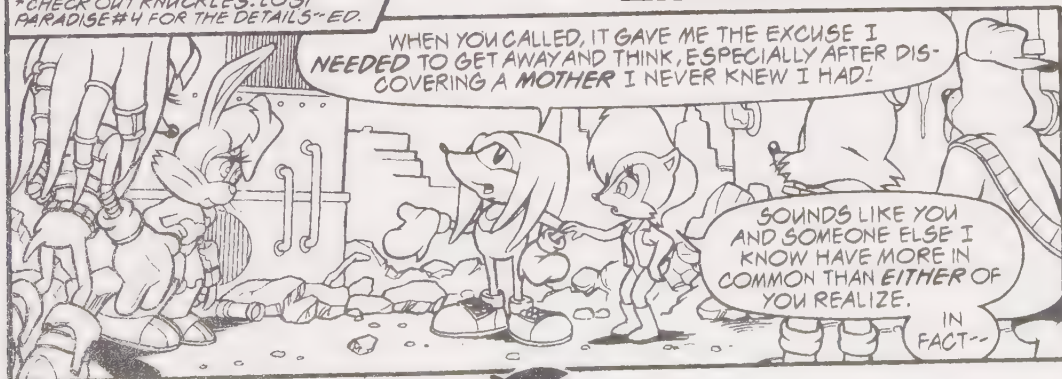


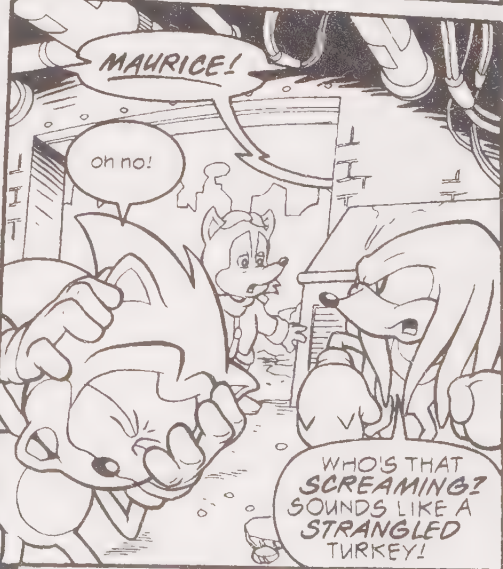
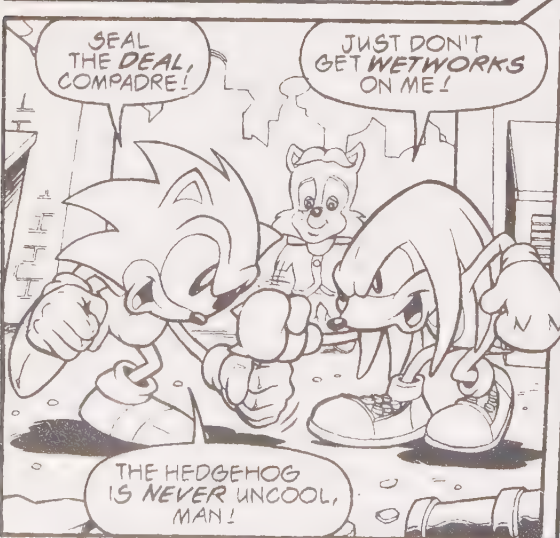
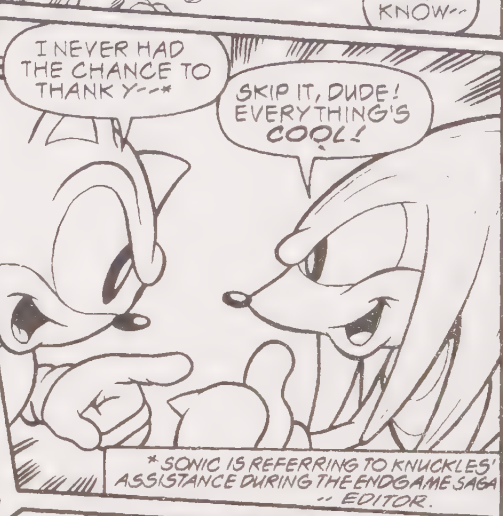
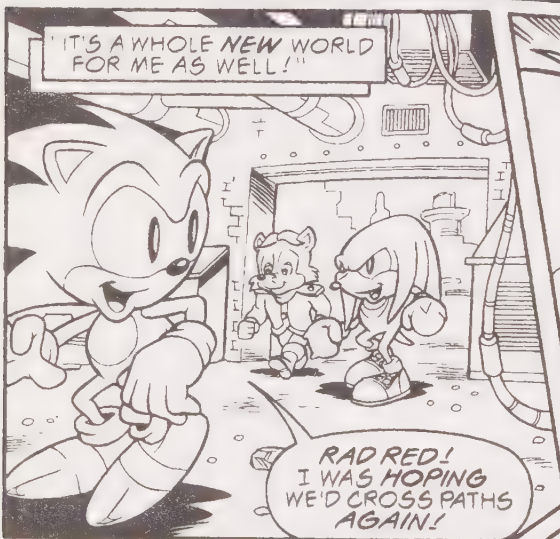
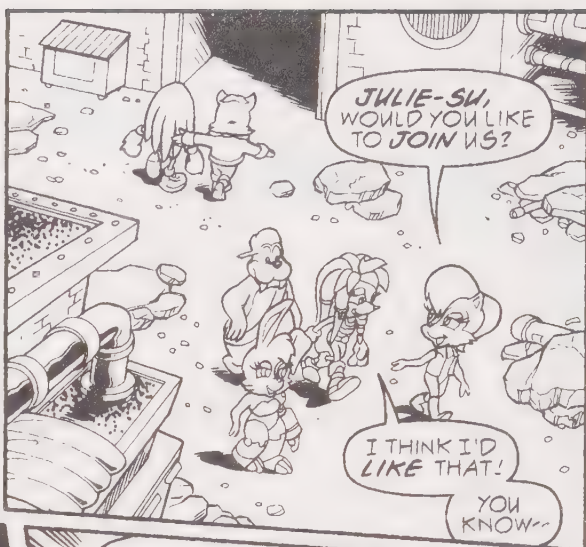
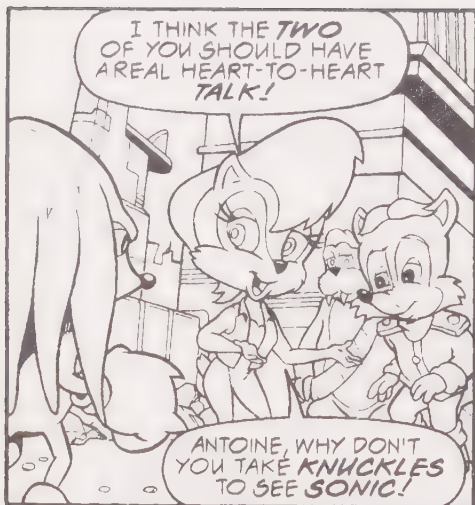


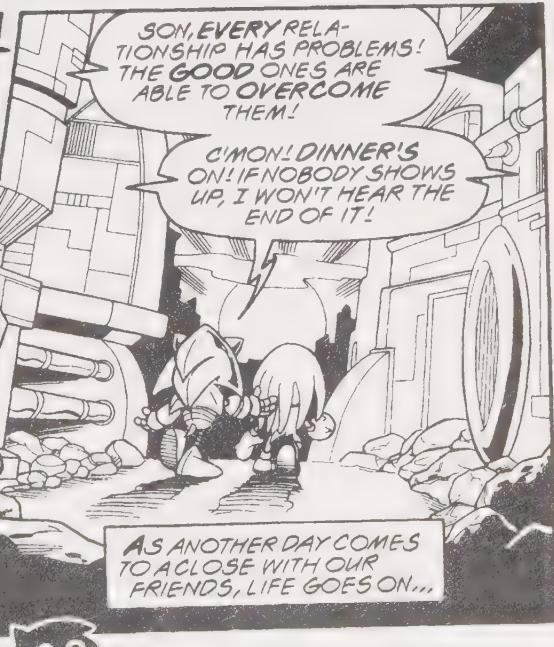
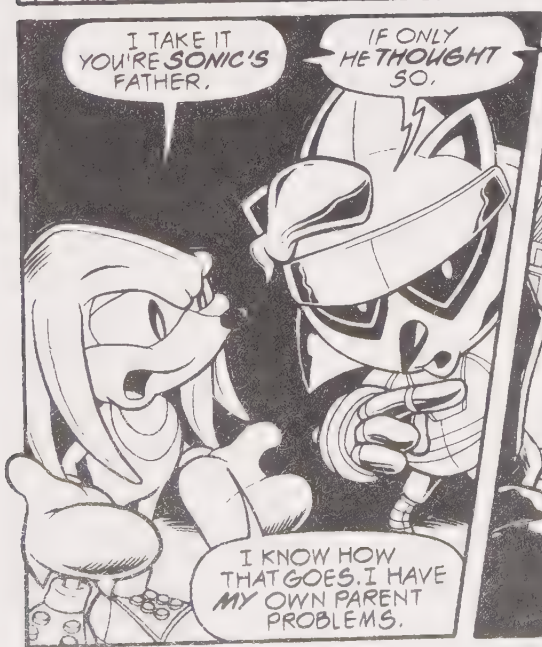
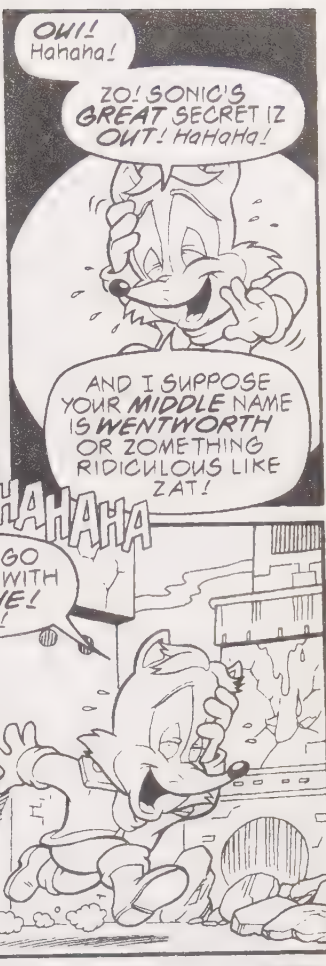
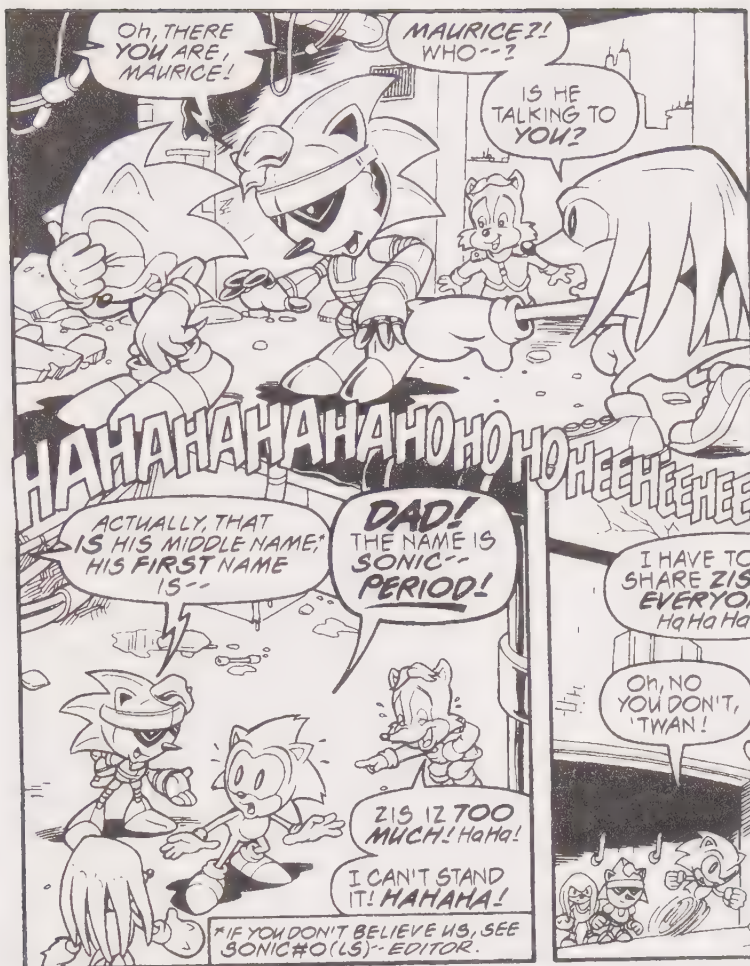




*CHECK OUT KNUCKLES: LOST PARADISE#4 FOR THE DETAILS--ED.







THE DAWN OF
A NEW DAY!

AND IN THE WAKE OF THE
NEFARIOUS IVO ROBOTNIK'S
DEFEAT BY THE KNOTHOLE
VILLAGE FREEDOM FIGHTERS,

--LIFE HAS UNDERGONE
SOME DRAMATIC CHANGES
FOR THE AFOREMENTIONED
GROUP!

AND FOR TWO OF THEM
IN PARTICULAR, IT SEEMS
THAT THE CHANGES HAVE
ONLY BEGIN...

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THE
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IN

SOUND &
OF A SILENCE

Part 1

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WOW, SONIC! WOULD
YOU LOOK AT THAT BUILDING
OVER THERE? IT'S DOCTOR
ROBOTNIK'S LABORATORY!

WHO KNOWS HOW
MANY DIABOLICAL
SCHEMES WERE
COOKED UP IN THAT
MOST COMPLEX OF
COMPLEXES...

...AND HOW MANY
MORE FIENDISH
DEVICES LIE WITHIN
ITS WALLS?

AND JUST
THINK, SALLY! IT'S
ALL YOURS FOR
THE AMAZINGLY
LOW PRICE OF
NOTHING! YOU
MAY NOT BE KING,
BUT IT'S SURE
GOTTA BE A
BLAST BEING
PRINCESS!

THIS IS NO JOKE, SONIC! I'M
SERIOUS OVER HERE!

I MEAN, HOW
WOULD **YOU** FEEL
IF SUDDENLY YOU
WERE RESPONSIBLE
FOR A DEVICE
WITH THE DESTRUC-
TIVE POWER OF
THE **ULTIMATE**
ANNIHILATOR?

Whoah! ROBOTNIK
NEARLY WIPED OUT ALL
OF CREATION WITH
THAT IMPORTED WEAPON
OF HIS!

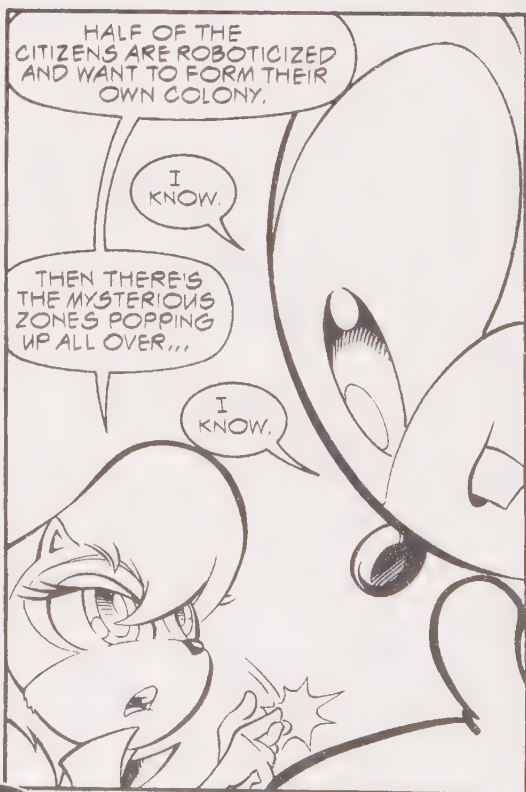
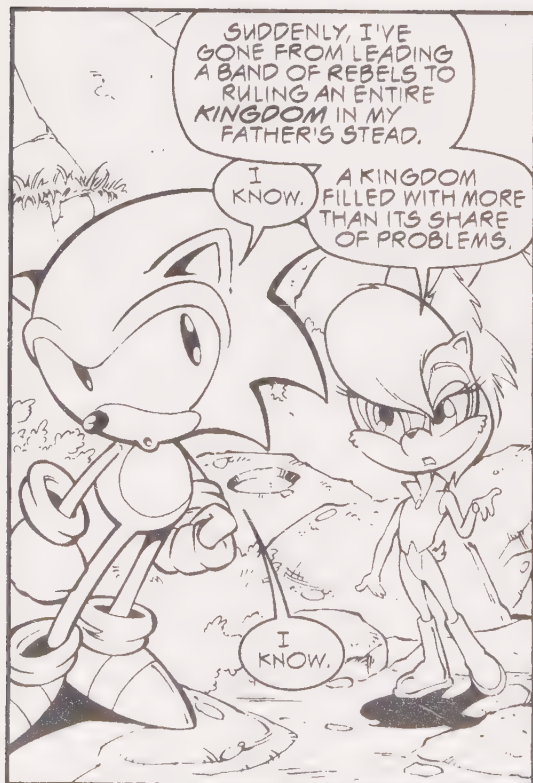
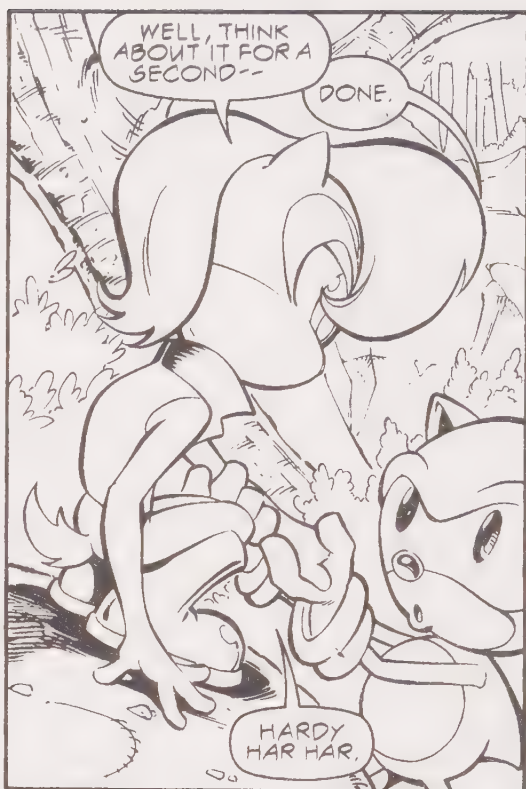
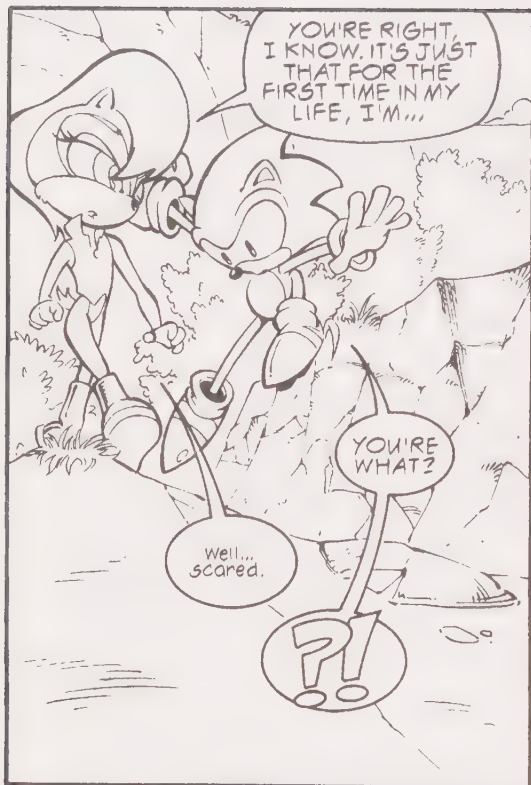
AND YOU KNOW
THAT WE WOULDN'T BE
HERE TO DISCUSS IT IF
HE'D SUCCEEDED.

CHANCES
WOULD BE
KINDA LOW, I
GUESS...

WHAT IS IT,
PRINCESS?

NOTHING, SONIC. WITH
EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE
FOR THE KINGDOM, I
DON'T WANT TO BOTHER
YOU WITH MY DUMB
PROBLEMS...

NO MATTER HOW MIXED
UP, JUMBLED, AND DOWN-
RIGHT CONFUSING YOUR
PROBLEMS ARE, SALLY, THEY
ARE NOT-- REPEAT **NOT**
DUMB!



AND MY FATHER!
THE KING! WILL WE EVER
BE ABLE TO REVERSE
THE PROCESS THAT
HAS TURNED HIM INTO
CRYSTAL?

WE MAY BE
CLOSER THAN WE
WERE A FEW DAYS
AGO.

PRINCESS...
SONIC...

GEOFFREY!

ST. JOHN.

EVEN NOW, ROTOR,
SIR CHARLES, AND DOCTOR
QUACK ARE INVESTIGATING
THE PORTAL TO THE SO-
CALLED ZONE OF SILENCE
WITHIN JULIAN'S LAB.

THE DREAD ZONE OF
SILENCE... WHERE ROBOTNIK
BANISHED MY FATHER
YEARS AGO.

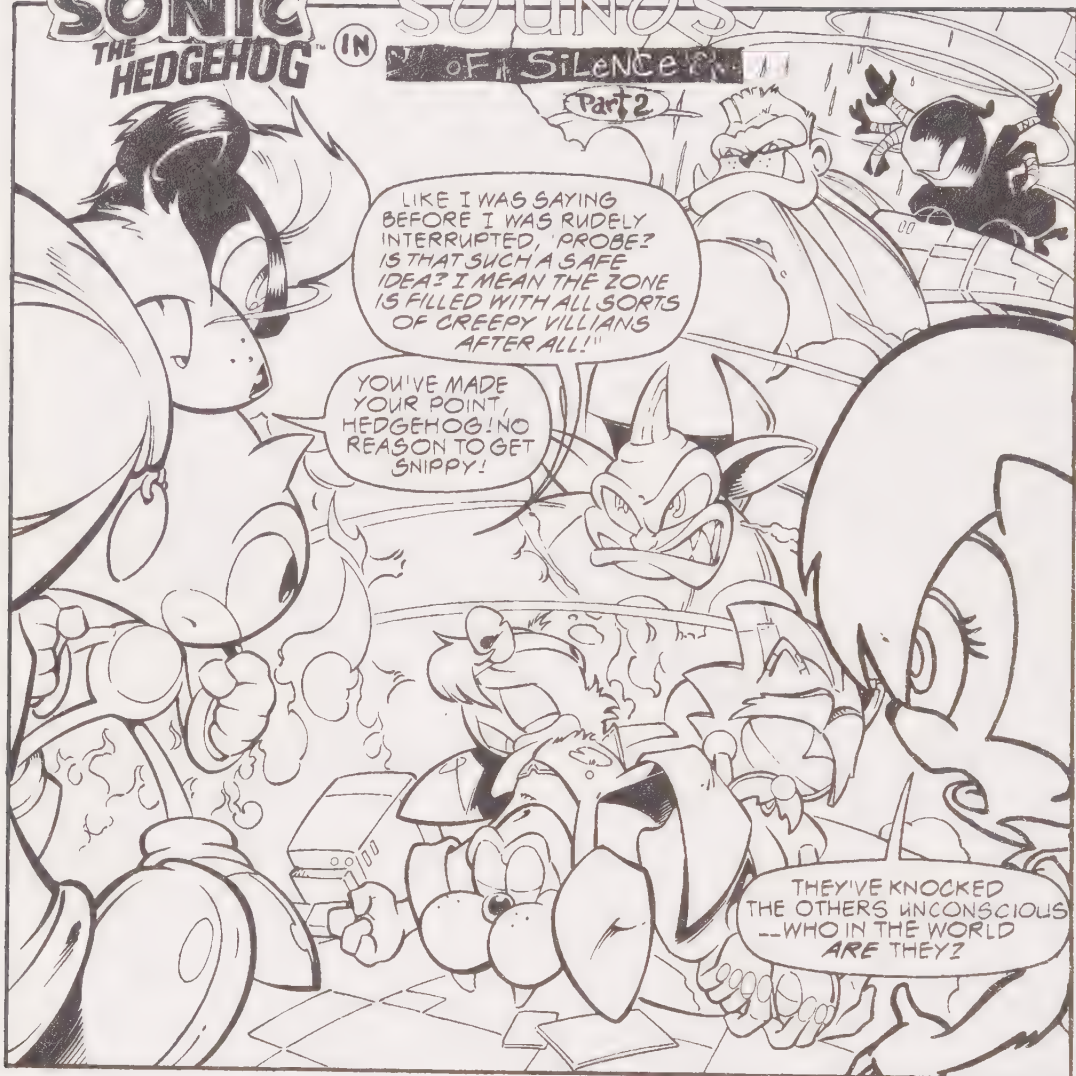
ONCE THEY
HAVE LAUNCHED
A PROBE INTO
IT--

WAITAMINNI!
PROBE? IS THAT
SUCH A SAFE IDEA?
I MEAN--

WHAT'S
THE MATTER
WITH IT--?

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG IN SOUNDS OF SILENCE

Part 2



LIKE I WAS SAYING BEFORE I WAS RUDELY INTERRUPTED, 'PROBE? IS THAT SUCH A SAFE IDEA? I MEAN THE ZONE IS FILLED WITH ALL SORTS OF CREEPY VILLIANS AFTER ALL!"

YOU'VE MADE YOUR POINT, HEDGEHOG! NO REASON TO GET SNIPPY!

THEY'VE KNOCKED THE OTHERS UNCONSCIOUS --WHO IN THE WORLD ARE THEY?

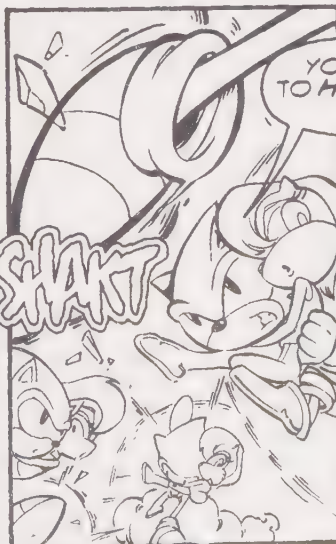
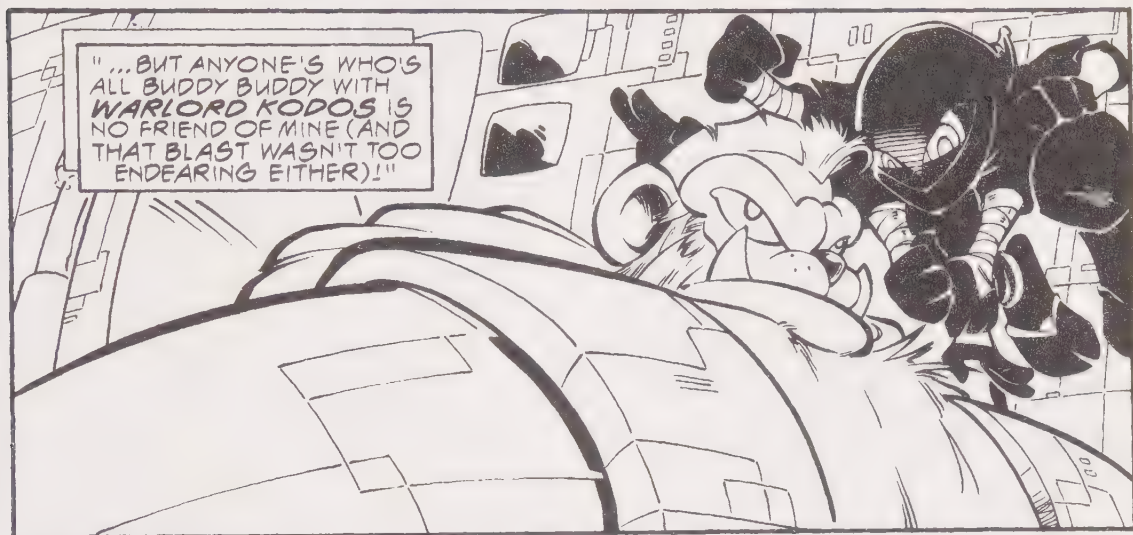
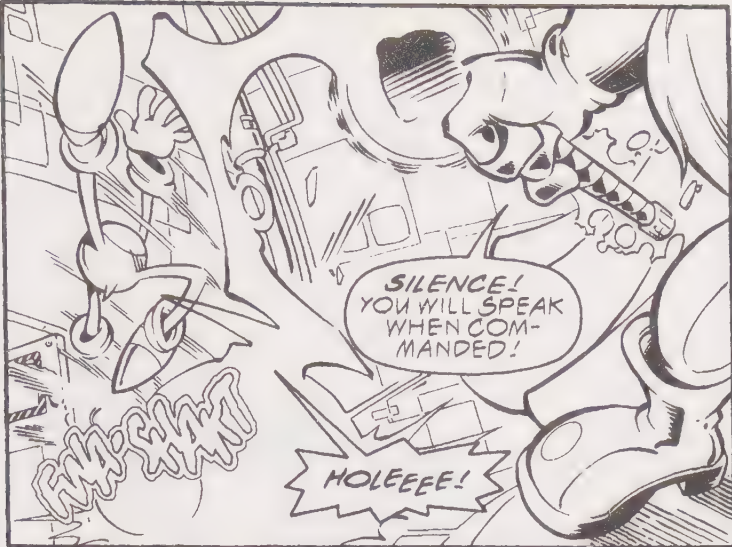


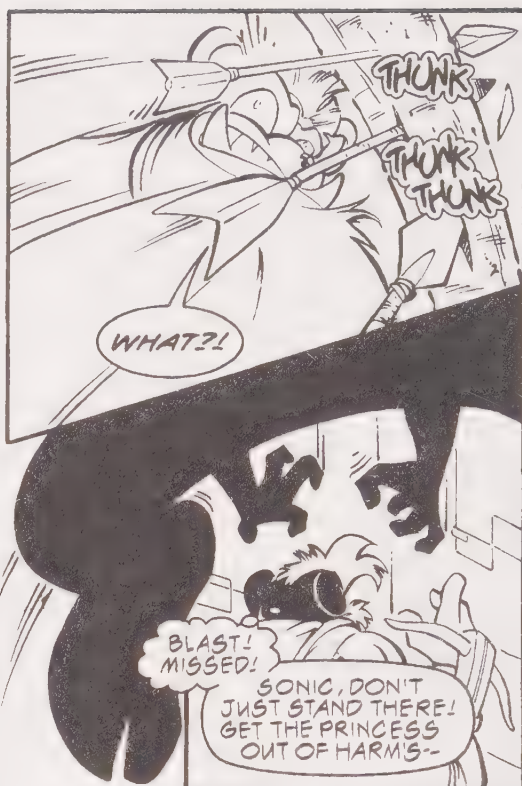
WHO IN THE WORLD INDEED! YOU, MY DEAR, ARE A LITTLE TALLER, A BIT WISER,,, PRINCESS SALLY, ISN'T IT?

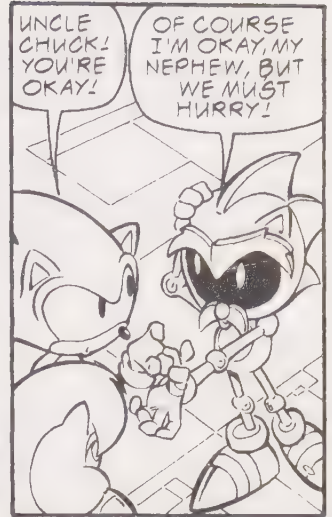
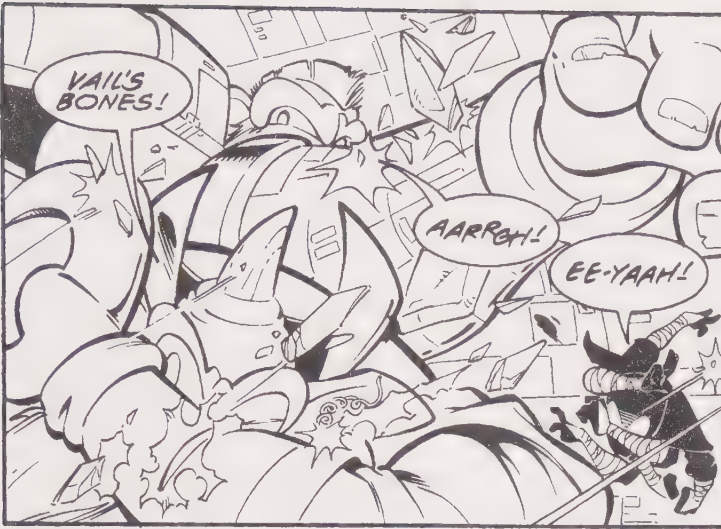
I'M SURPRISED YOU DO NOT REMEMBER --IXIS NAHGUS, SORCEROR SAVANT!



I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE, MR. IXIS WHOGUS SORCEROUS, WHATGUS OR WHATEVER YOUR NAME IS, BUT--







SONIC IN SOUNDS

THE HEDGEHOG OF SILENCE

Part 3

CASTLE ACORN,
FORMERLY ROBOTNIK'S
HEADQUARTERS...

...NO IDEA
THAT LAUNCHING
THE PROBE WOULD
RELEASE THAT
DEADLY TRIO!

THEIR LEADER,
IXIS NAUGUS, HAS A
WAND THAT CAN
TURN OBJECTS INTO
CRYSTAL, FATHER
HOW IS THAT
POSSIBLE?

AND WHY DIDN'T
IXIS, KODOS, AND UMA
FALL PREY TO THE EFFECTS
OF THE ZONE AS YOU DID
WHEN EXPOSED TO MOBIUS'
ATMOSPHERE, SIRE?

IXIS NAUGUS...
A NAME... I THOUGHT
...NEVER TO HEAR...
AGAIN...

WELL, WE'RE GONNA HEAR IT
A LOT MORE IF WE DON'T STOP
HIM FROM DECLARING HIM-
SELF RIGHTFUL RULER OF
MOBOTROPOLIS!

BUT, LAD, HE IS
...THE RIGHTFUL RULER
OF... MOBOTROPOLIS!

MUH?!



I THINK OUR LIEGE IS
SUFFERING FROM A MOMEN-
TARY LAPSE OF REASON!

NO, DOCTOR...
I ASSURE YOU... MY
REASONING IS FAR
SOUNDER... THAN IT
HAS BEEN... FOR
SOME TIME...



YOU ALL BELIEVED...
MY CRYSTALIZATION... TO
BE A BY-PRODUCT OF...
PROLONGED EXPOSURE TO
ITS... HARSH ENVIRONMENT.



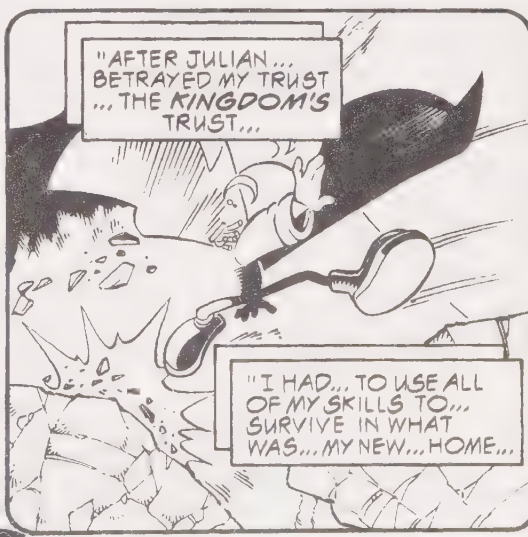
"BUT THAT...
IS NOT
ENTIRELY
TRUE..."



DAD?

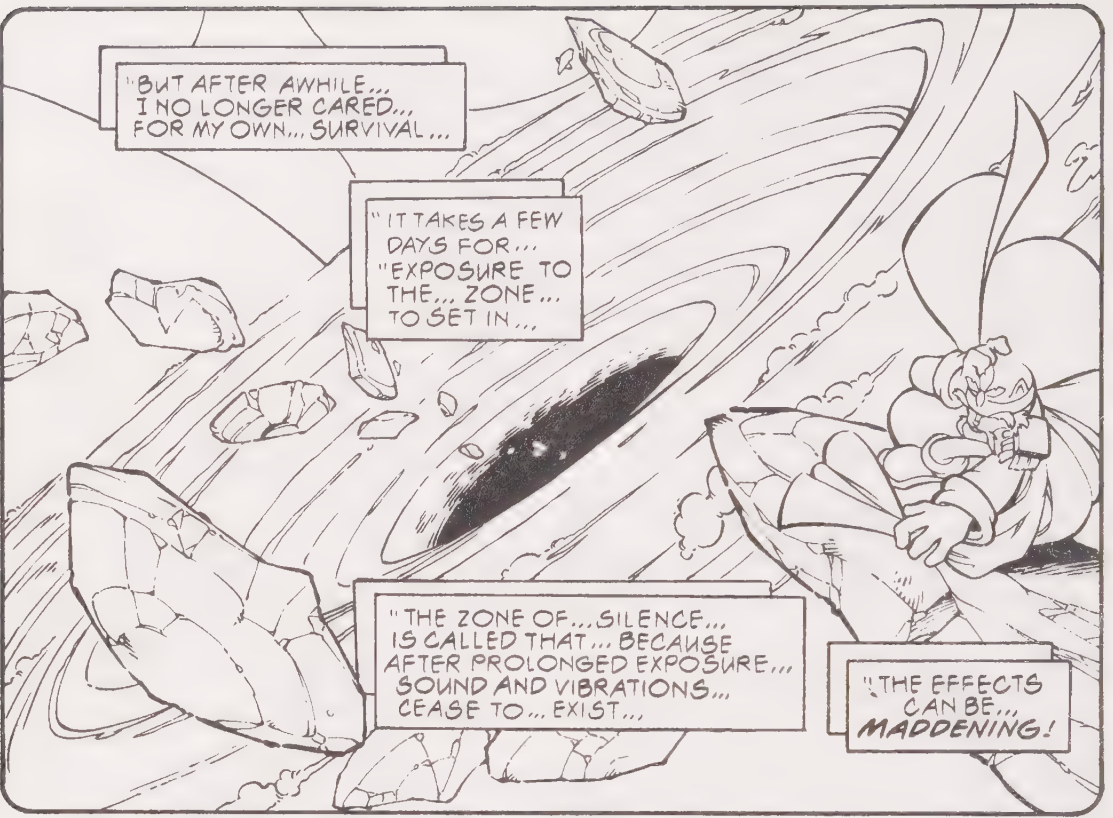
I'M FINE,
PRINCESS. NEVER
THOUGHT THAT...
IXIS WOULD ESCAPE
... ZONE OF
SILENCE.

NEVER
THOUGHT I
WOULD EITHER
... FOR THAT
MATTER.



"AFTER JULIAN...
BETRAYED MY TRUST
... THE KINGDOM'S
TRUST..."

"I HAD... TO USE ALL
OF MY SKILLS TO...
SURVIVE IN WHAT
WAS... MY NEW... HOME..."

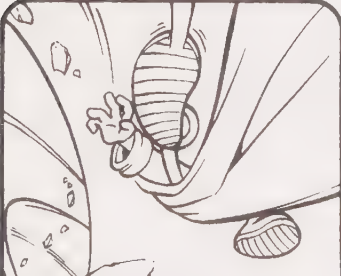


"BUT AFTER AWHILE...
I NO LONGER CARED...
FOR MY OWN... SURVIVAL...

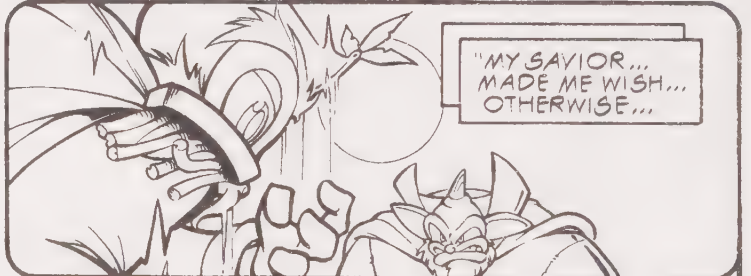
"IT TAKES A FEW
DAYS FOR...
"EXPOSURE TO
THE... ZONE...
TO SET IN..."

"THE ZONE OF...SILENCE...
IS CALLED THAT... BECAUSE
AFTER PROLONGED EXPOSURE...
SOUND AND VIBRATIONS...
CEASE TO... EXIST..."

"THE EFFECTS
CAN BE...
MADDENING!"



"HOWEVER... I
WAS PLUCKED...
FROM DEATH'S
JAWS... BEFORE I
WAS SWALLOWED
...BY THE... BLACK
HOLE..."

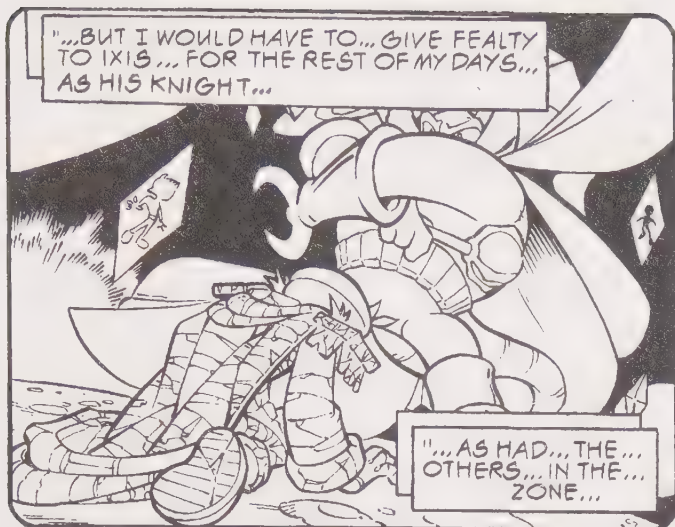


"MY SAVIOR...
MADE ME WISH...
OTHERWISE..."

"MY FORMER ROYAL WIZARD...
THE SUPPOSED **CREATOR** OF
THIS... ZONE... IXIS NAUGUS...
WHO HAD VANISHED... INTO ITS
REACHES YEARS PRIOR... NOW
STOOD BEFORE ME.

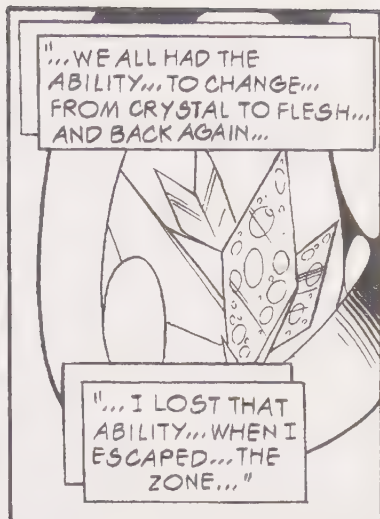
"HE HAD FOUND... THE MEANS TO PREVENT...
THE INSANITY USING HIS DARK... MAGICKS AND
THE ZONE'S... NATURAL RESOURCES.

"I FORGED... AN UNHOLY PACT THAT DAY.
EXCHANGING FLESH AND BLOOD... FOR ORGANIC
CRYSTAL... WOULD GRANT ME IMMUNITY..."



"...BUT I WOULD HAVE TO... GIVE FEALTY TO IXIS... FOR THE REST OF MY DAYS... AS HIS KNIGHT..."

"...AS HAD... THE... OTHERS... IN THE... ZONE..."



"...WE ALL HAD THE ABILITY... TO CHANGE... FROM CRYSTAL TO FLESH... AND BACK AGAIN..."

"...I LOST THAT ABILITY... WHEN I ESCAPED... THE ZONE..."



DAD!

MY LIEGE!

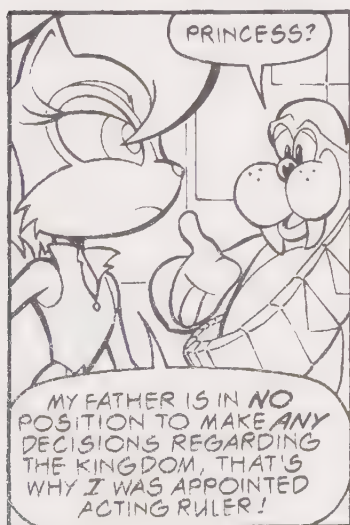
HE'LL BE ALRIGHT, KIDS! HE JUST TAXED HIS ENDURANCE IN THE TELLING OF THAT SORDID TALE!

UGH...



IF WHAT THE KING SAID IS TRUE... IF HE DID INDEED SWEAR BLIND ALLEGIANCE TO THE WIZARD...

YOU CAN'T MEAN THAT IXIS IS KING?!



PRINCESS?

MY FATHER IS IN NO POSITION TO MAKE ANY DECISIONS REGARDING THE KINGDOM, THAT'S WHY I WAS APPOINTED ACTING RULER!



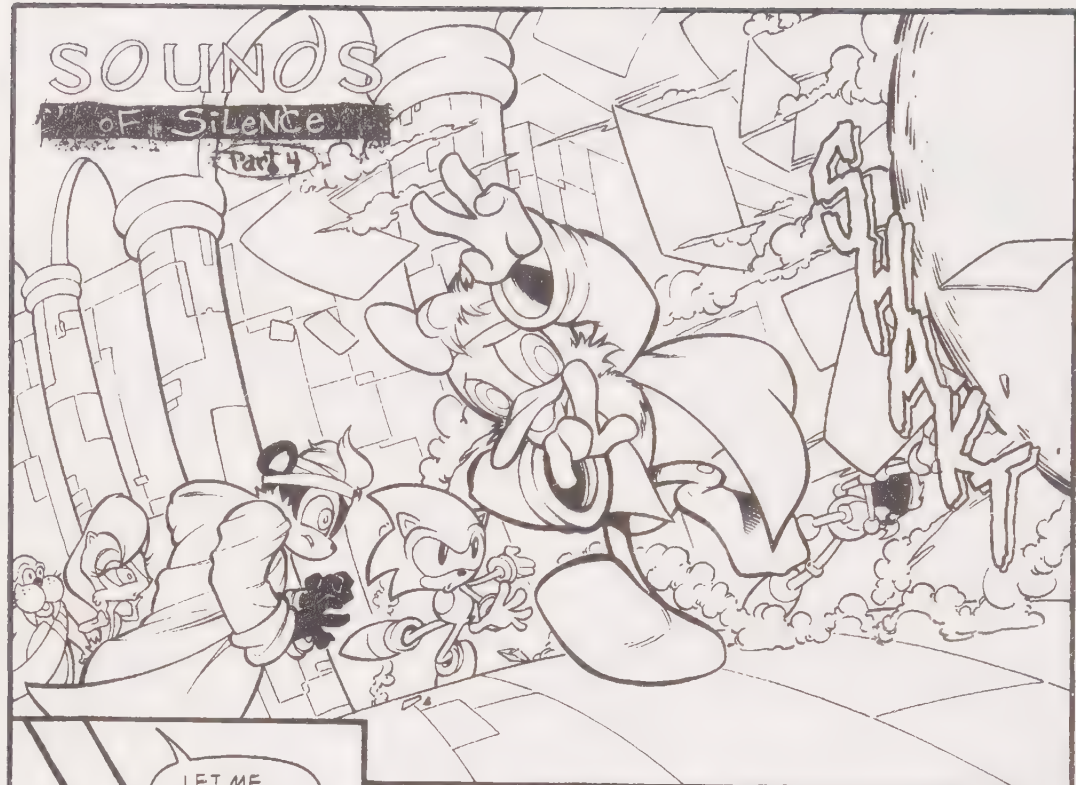
AND AS SUCH, I SAY THAT IXIS CAN, WELL, GET LOST!

HOO RAY!

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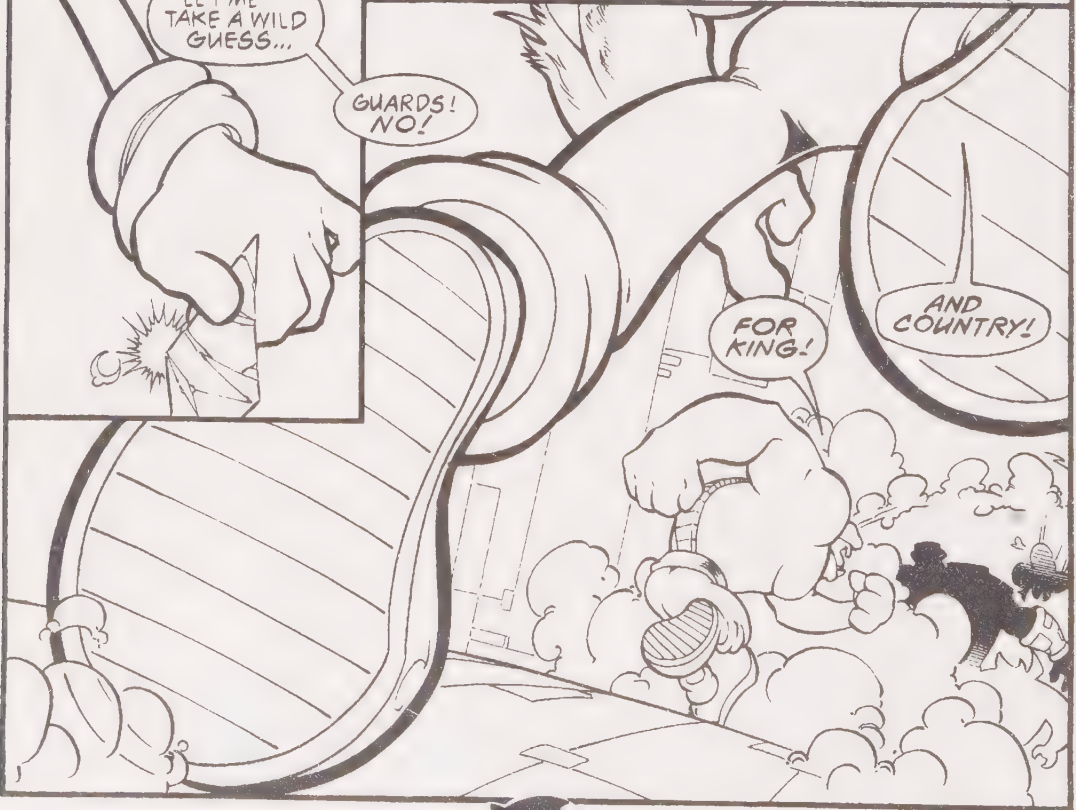


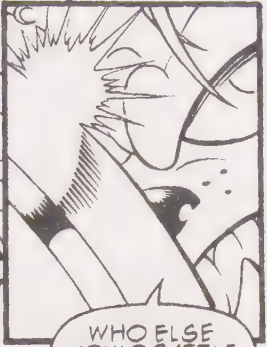
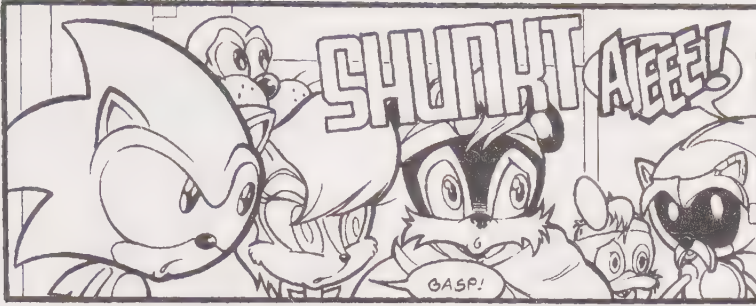
LET ME
TAKE A WILD
GUESS...

GUARDS!
NO!

FOR
KING!

AND
COUNTRY!





WHO ELSE
WOULD BATTLE
KODOS FACE
TO FACE?

ME!

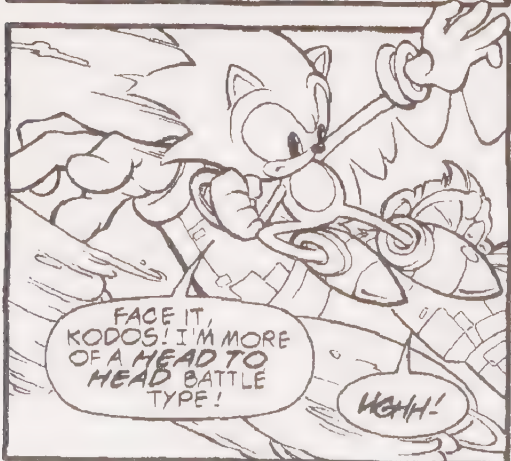
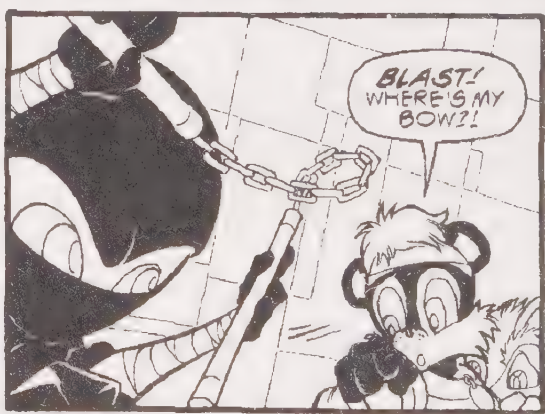
BUT DO WE
HAVE TO DO IT
FACE TO FACE?
YOU'RE KINDA
UGLY!

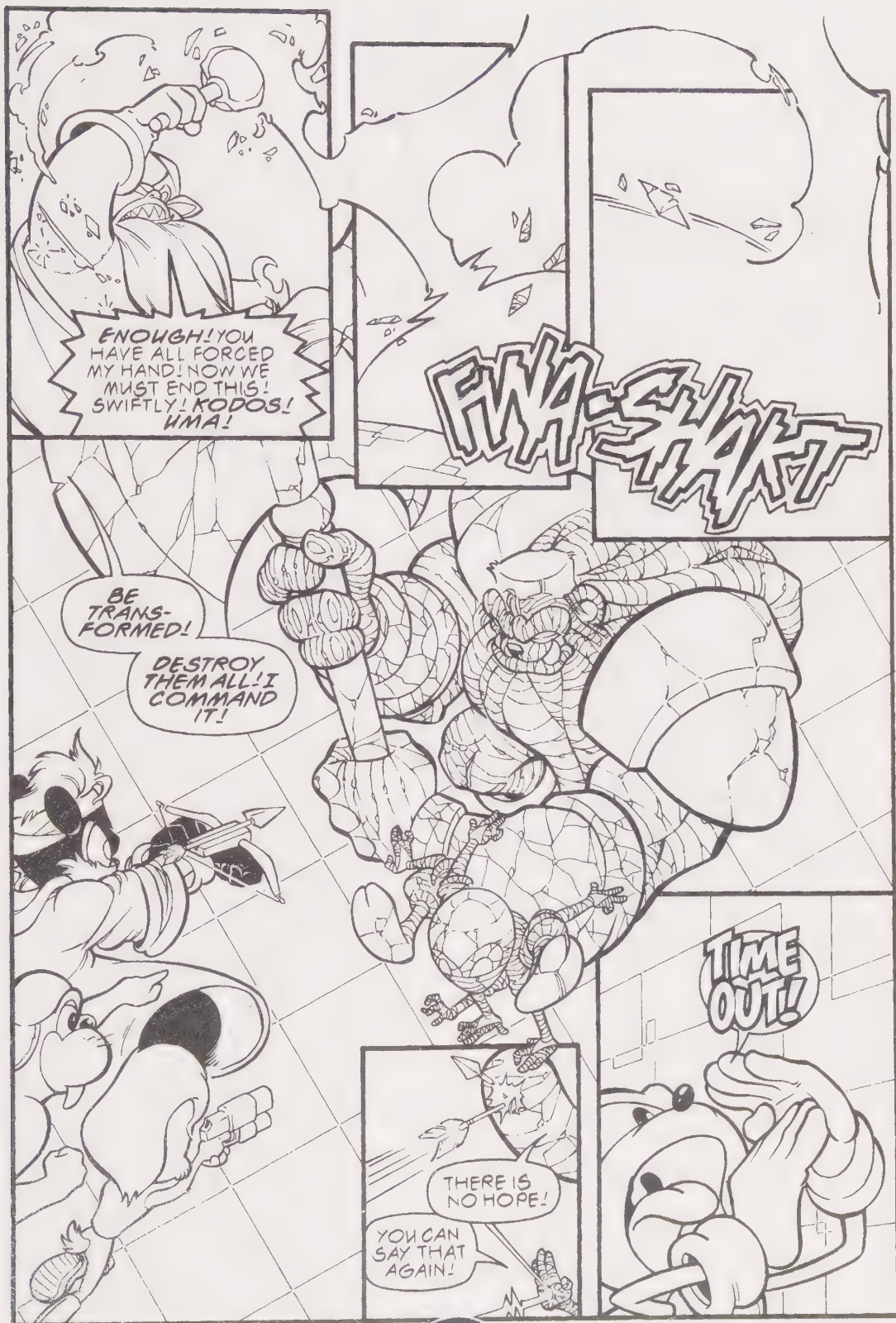


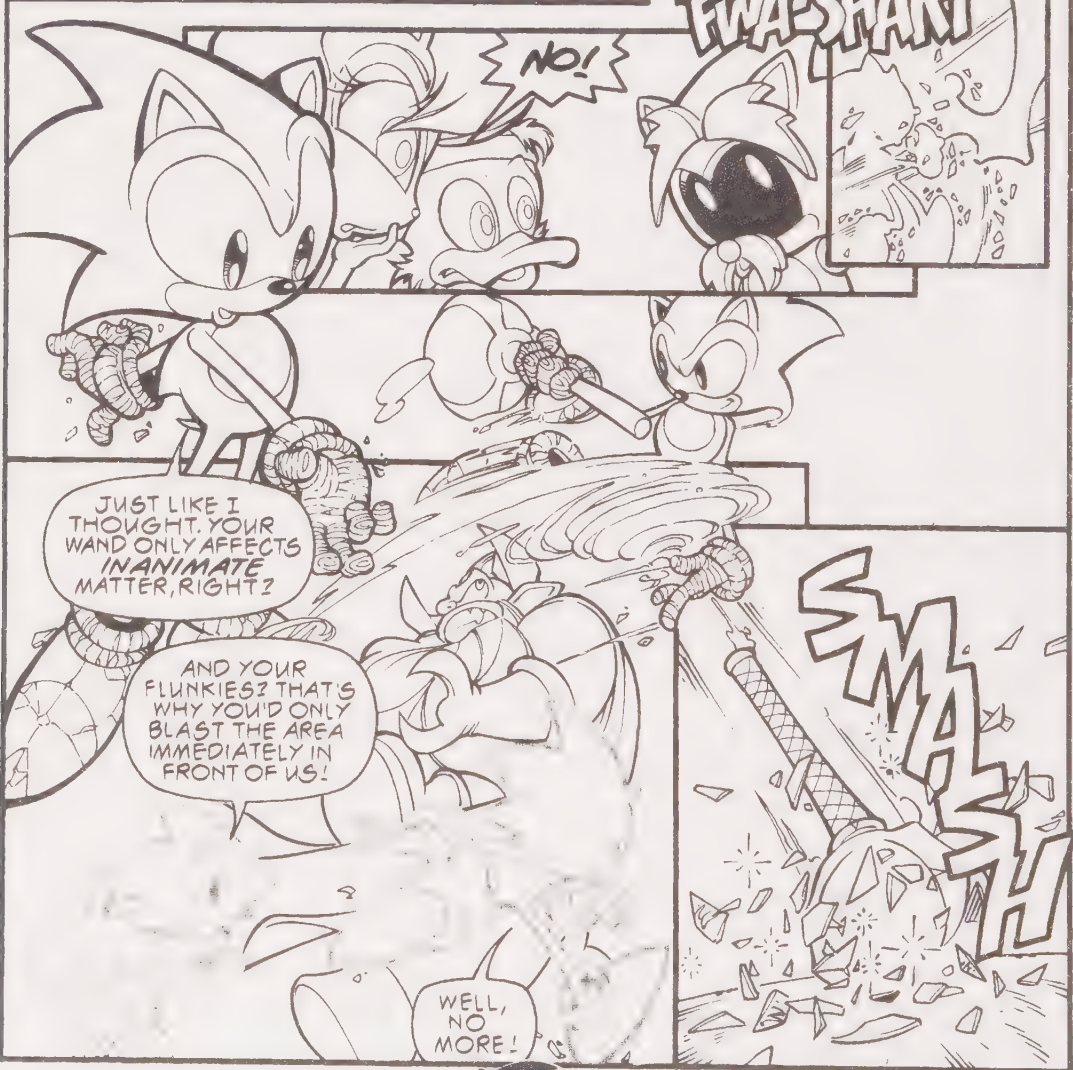
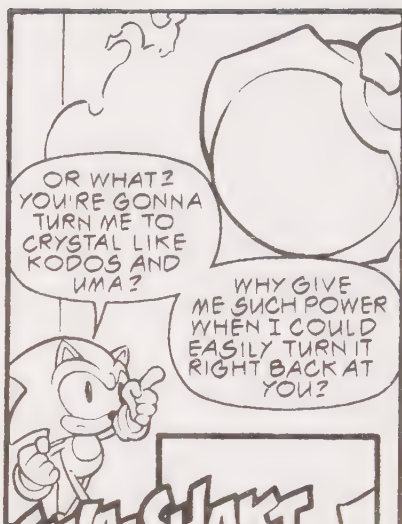
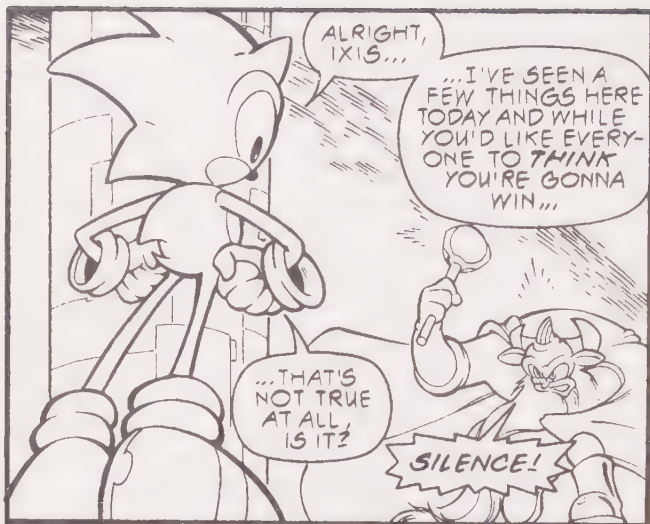
KODOS!
END THIS!

WE MUST
GET KING
ACORN TO
SAFETY!









FWHOOOSH

LOOK!
WHAT
HAPPENED
TO THEM?

WITHOUT
IXIS' WAND
TO POWER
THEM, THEY'RE
LIKE PUPPETS
WITHOUT
STRINGS!

WHERE IS THAT
HORN-HEADED CREEP,
ANYWAY?

GONE!
YOU THINK HE'S
DESTROYED?

FOR GOOD, ROTORZ?!
THAT'LL BE THE DAY!
WHY THESE WOULD-BE
WORLD CONQUERORS
ARE A HEARTY BREED...

**A NEW DAY
DONE!**

AND WHO KNOWS
WHAT TOMORROW
WILL BRING? RECRE-
ATION OR WRECKAGE?
NO ONE CAN SAY...

...NOT
EVEN...

SONIC!

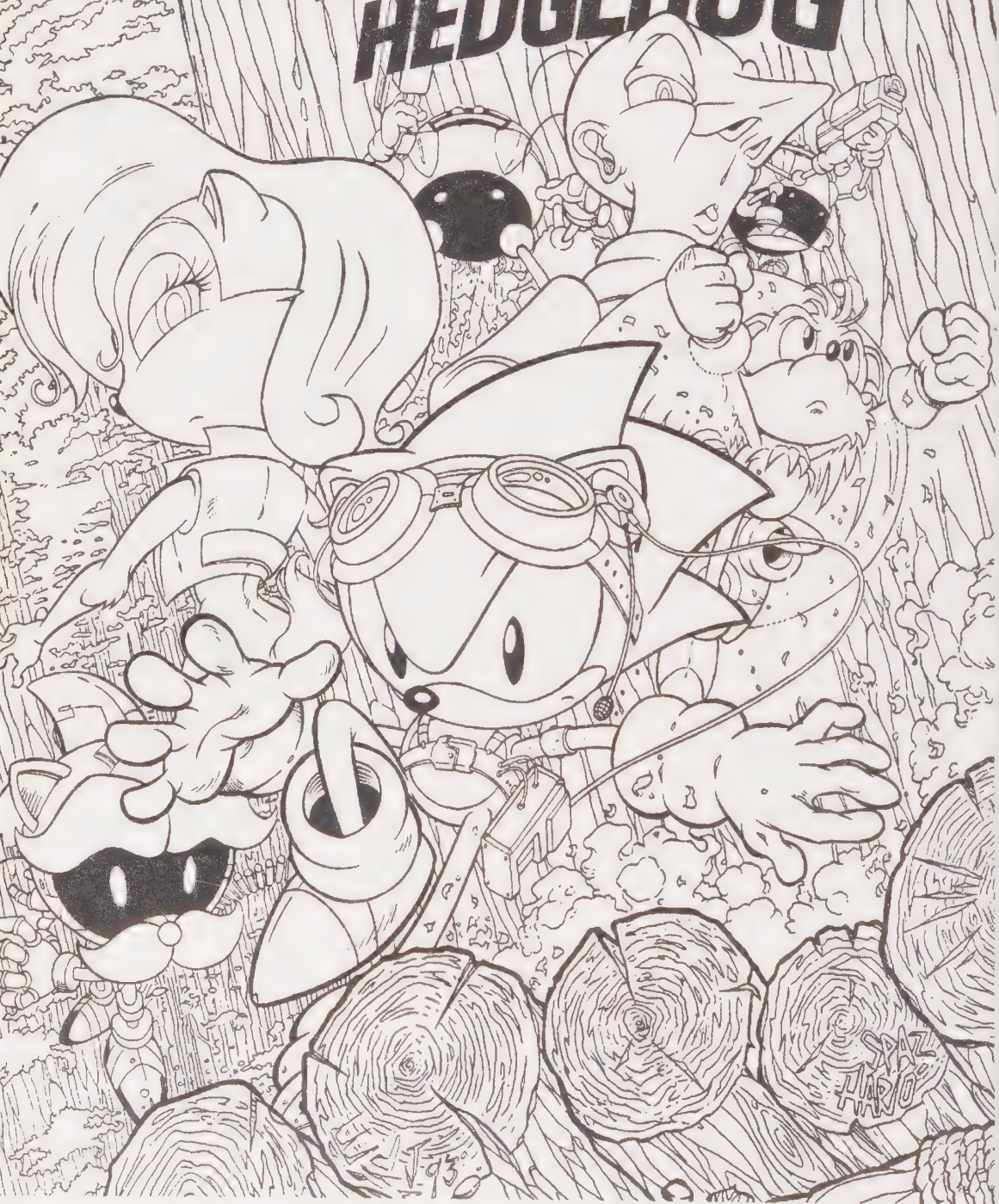
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KNOTHOLE VILLAGE!

FOR YEARS, IT SERVED
AS A BASE OF OPERATIONS
TO THE **FREEDOM**
FIGHTERS OF PLANET
MOBIUS--

--AND ALSO AS A HOME.
BUT WITH THE ULTIMATE
ANNIHILATION OF THE
EVIL TECHNO-TYRANT
DOCTOR IVO ROBOTNIK,
THE REBELS HAVE RETURNED
TO **MOBOTROPOLIS--**

--THE CITY FROM
WHICH THEY WERE
CAST OUT SO LONG
AGO.

AND WHAT OF
KNOTHOLE?

SINCE ITS JAWNT INTO
ITS OWN TEMPORAL ZONE
THREE HOURS INTO THE
FUTURE*, THE VILLAGERS
ARE NO LONGER COM-
FORTABLE LIVING
THERE. **WHY?**

*It happened in
SONIC # 50.--JFG

FOR ONE THING, AS YOU
MOVE TOWARDS THE OUT-
SKIRTS OF THE VILLAGE,
AN **INVISIBLE BARRIER**
KEEPS YOU FROM THE
REST OF **MOBIUS** ON ALL
SIDES.

ANOTHER IS, THE ONLY
WAY IN OR OUT OF KNOT-
HOLE'S TEMPORAL ZONE
IS THROUGH THE GREAT
OAK SLIDE. IT MAKES
TRAVEL BACK AND FORTH,
ESPECIALLY WITH SUPPLIES,
THAT MUCH MORE DIFFICULT.

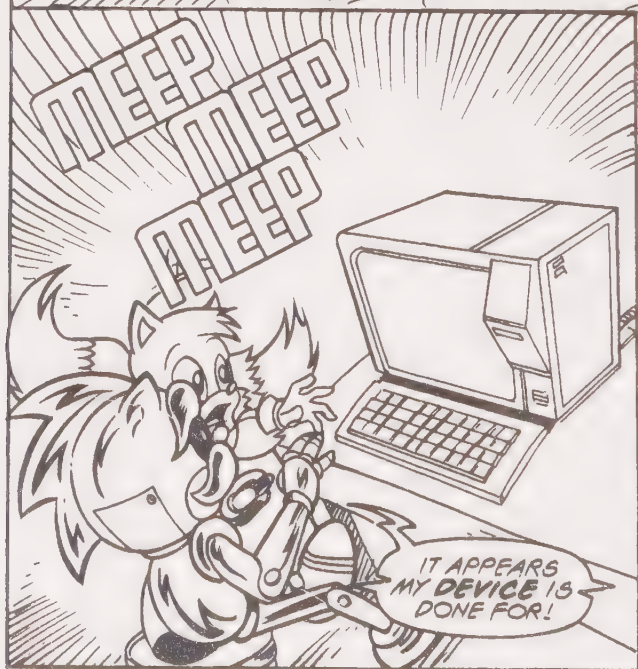
NOW, SOME SAY IT'S
A **GHOST TOWN**.
BUT THEY'RE **WRONG**.

THERE IS ONE **FORMER**
MEMBER OF THE RESIS-
TANCE WHO STILL **EMBRACES**
ITS FAMILIAR FOREST
SURROUNDINGS--

--ONE WHO HAS BECOME
SO **ACCUSTOMED** TO
THE WAY OF THE **WARRIOR**,
THAT LEAVING HIS CITY
BEHIND WAS THE ONLY REAL
ALTERNATIVE. BUT--

--MAY SOON
FIND OUT HE'S
ONLY--

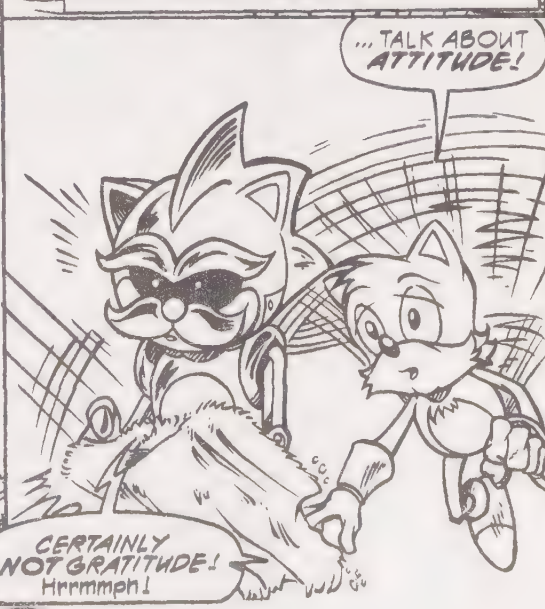
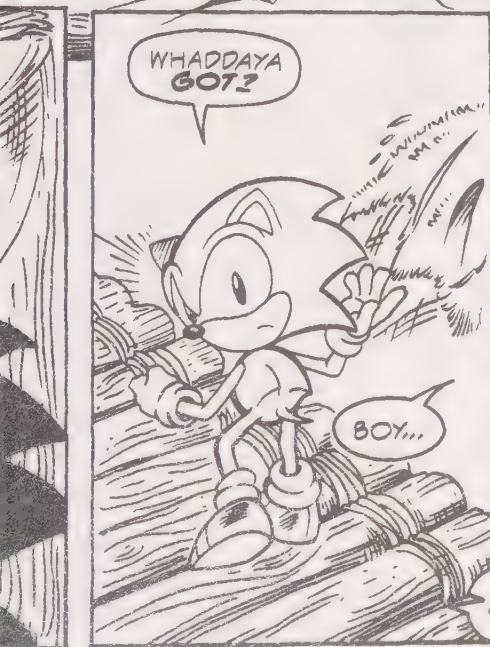
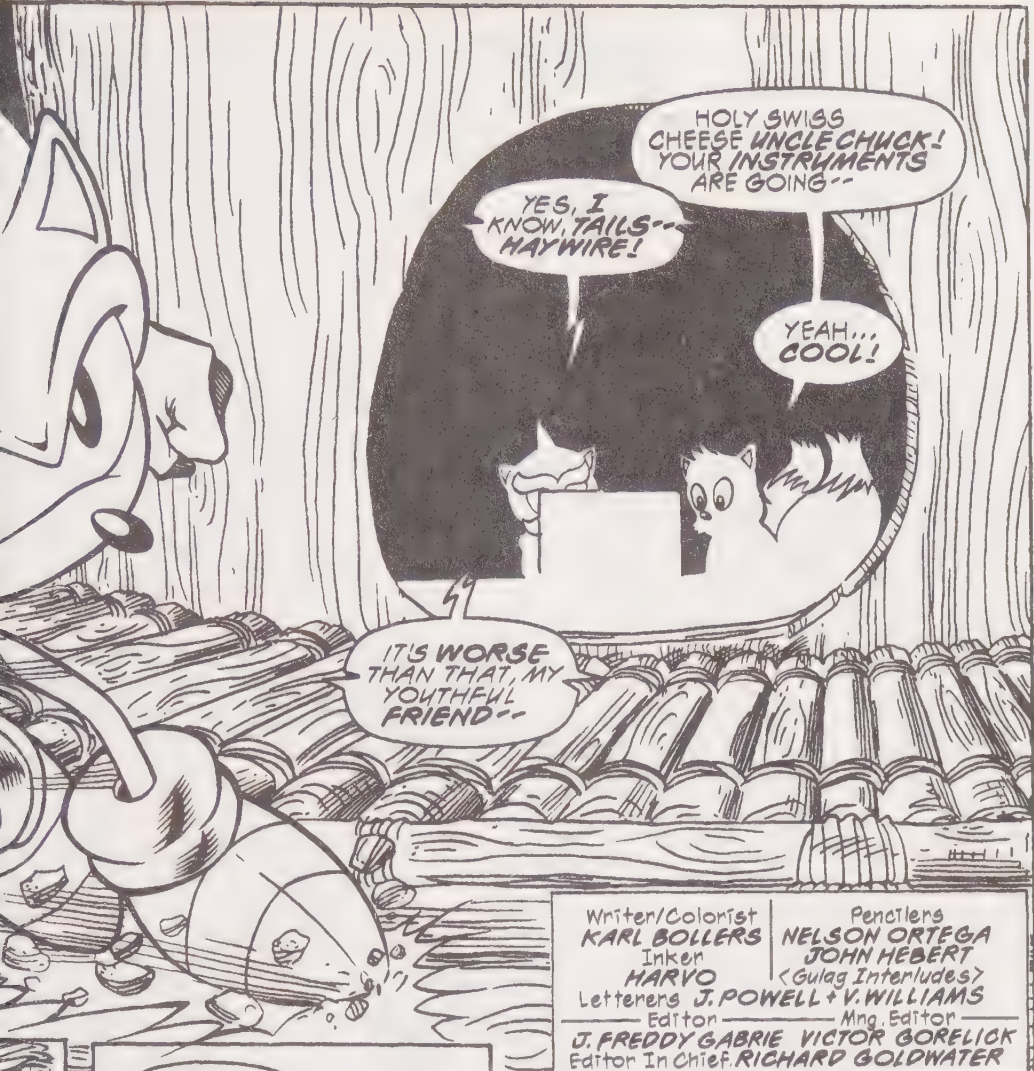
▶ RUNNING → P STAND STILL

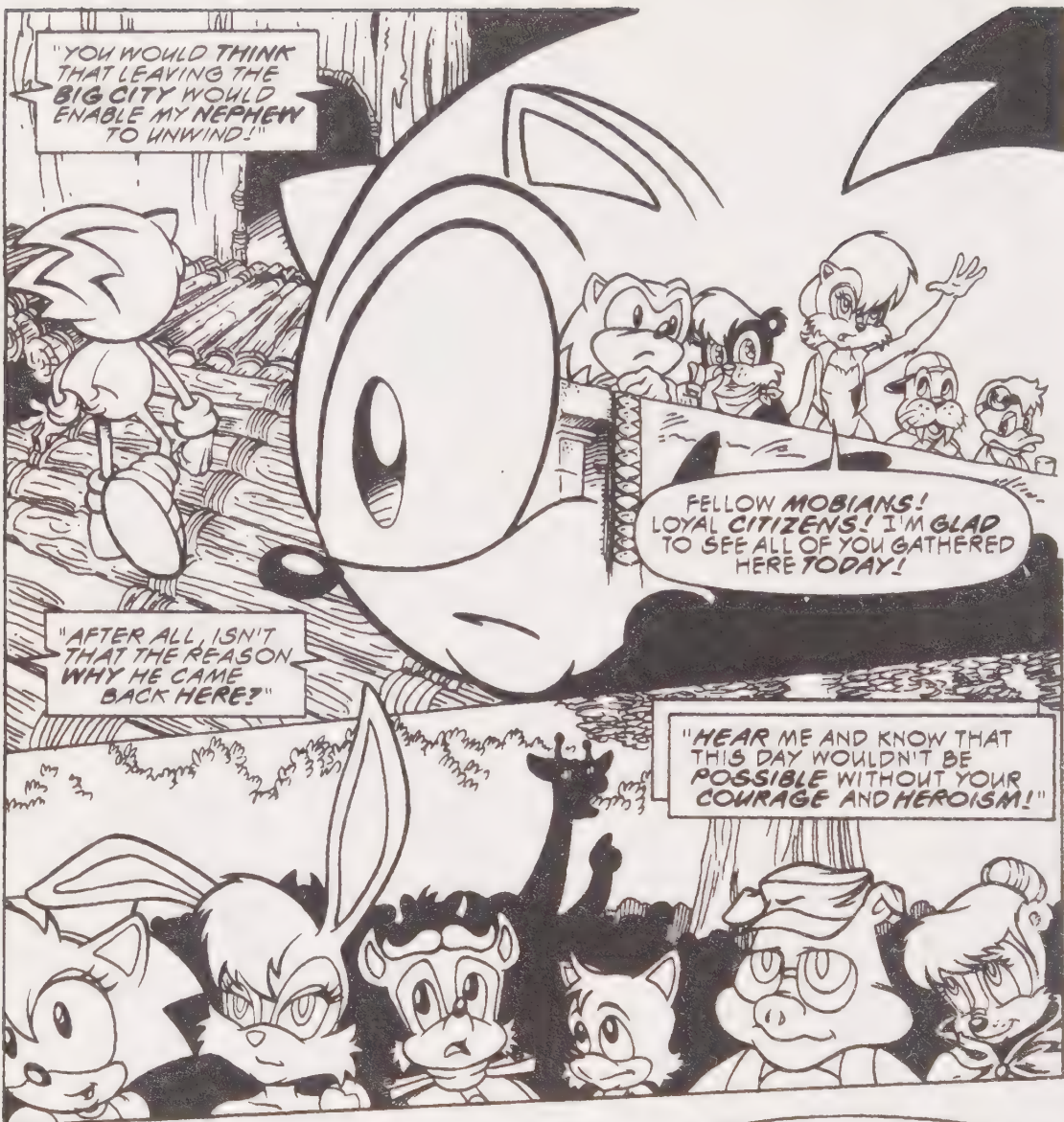


SONIC! HOW ARE
WE SUPPOSED TO
DETERMINE YOUR
MAXIMUM SPEED
IF YOU ACCELERATE
TOO QUICKLY?
YOU KNOW IT WRECKS
THE EQUIPMENT
EVERY TIME!



WHAT IN THE
WORLD ARE YOU
ARE YOU REBELLING
AGAINST?





"YOU WOULD THINK
THAT LEAVING THE
BIG CITY WOULD
ENABLE MY NEPHEW
TO UNWIND!"

FELLOW MOBIANS!
LOYAL CITIZENS! I'M GLAD
TO SEE ALL OF YOU GATHERED
HERE TODAY!

"AFTER ALL, ISN'T
THAT THE REASON
WHY HE CAME
BACK HERE?"

"HEAR ME AND KNOW THAT
THIS DAY WOULDN'T BE
POSSIBLE WITHOUT YOUR
COURAGE AND HEROISM!"

SURE, THERE WERE
TIMES WHEN WE WERE
FRIGHTENED...

...UNCERTAIN WHETHER
ROBOTNIK WOULD CLOSE
HIS FIST ABOUT US IN AN
IRON GRIP TO SQUEEZE
THE VERY HUMANITY OUT
OF OUR SOULS!

YES, THEY WERE
CHAOTIC TIMES, BUT
NOW IT IS TIME TO
ESTABLISH
ORDER!

I GIVE YOU DOCTOR QUACK —
OUR ROYAL PHYSICIAN —
WHOSE HEALING SKILLS WILL
HELP PUT OUR KINGDOM ON THE
ROAD TO RECOVERY...



...ROTOR — WHOSE
TECHNOLOGICAL TALENTS CAN
TURN ROBOTNIK'S WEAPONS
OF WAR INTO ENGINES
OF PROGRESS...



...GEOFFREY ST. JOHN —
WHOSE OWN SENSE OF
JUSTICE WILL SET THE
STANDARD FOR THAT OF THE
ENTIRE STATE...

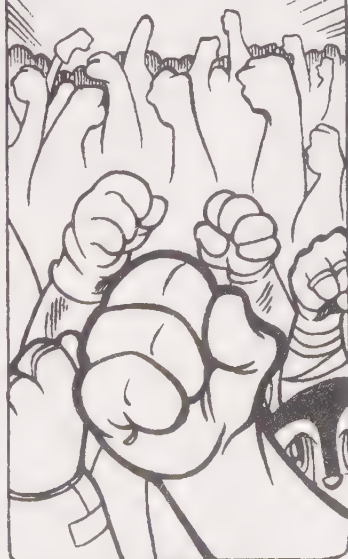


... AND SONIC — WHOSE SPEED
AND POPULARITY WILL ROUND
OUT THE MEMBERSHIP OF A NEW
COUNCIL...



...DEDICATED TO
RESTORING ORDER!

HIP! HIP!
HOORAY!



WE WILL NO LONGER BE KNOWN
AS KNOTHOLE VILLAGERS! FROM
TODAY ONWARDS WE SHALL BE
MOBIANS OF MOBOTROPOLIS
ONCE AGAIN. TOMORROW blah blah
blah blah blah blah...



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EANYWHILE, MILES AWAY FROM KNOTHOLE VILLAGE, A ROYAL AIRSHIP ROCKETS TO A LOCATION FAR FROM THE CONFINES OF SONIC'S MIND--

THE DEVIL'S GELAG!!

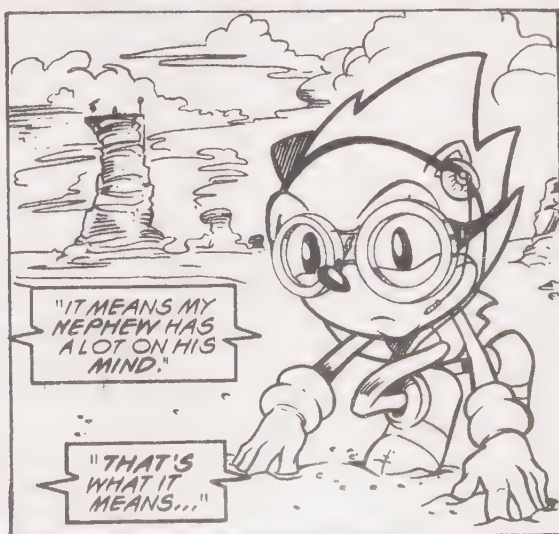
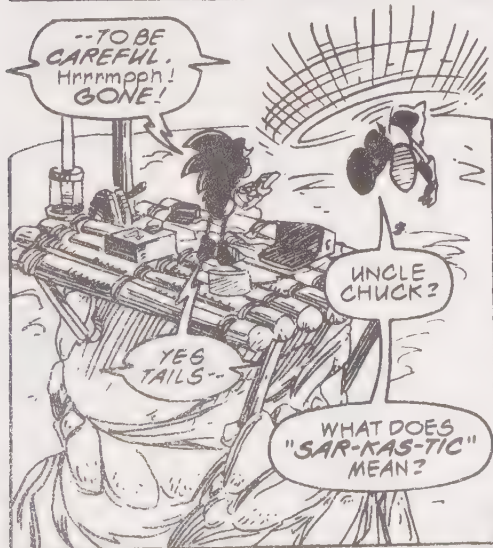
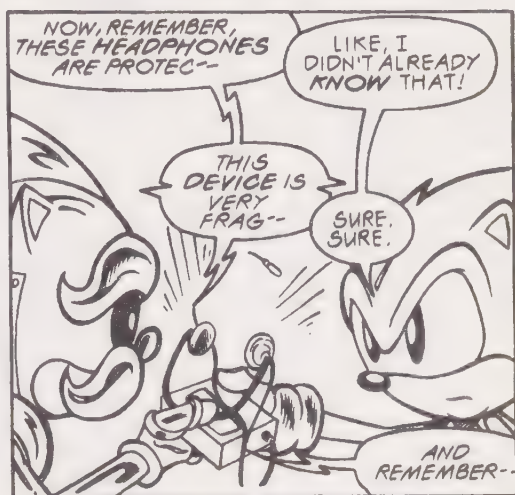
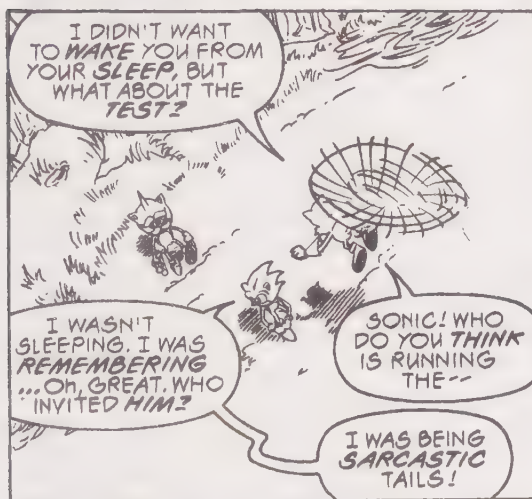
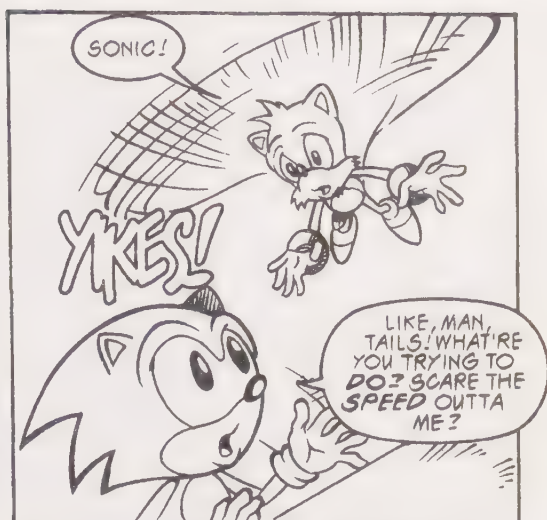
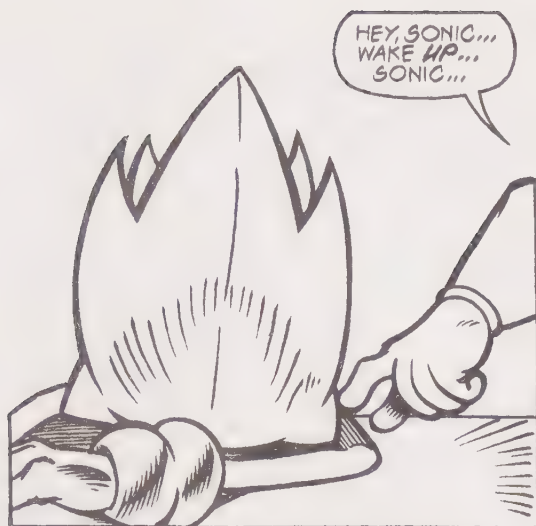
HIDDEN BY A DENSE BANK OF STEAM CLOUDS FROM THE BOILING OCEANS THAT SURROUND IT, THE PRISON COMPLEX SITS FOREBODINGLY ON THE MILE-HIGH ROCKY CRAG THAT PASSES FOR AN ISLAND.

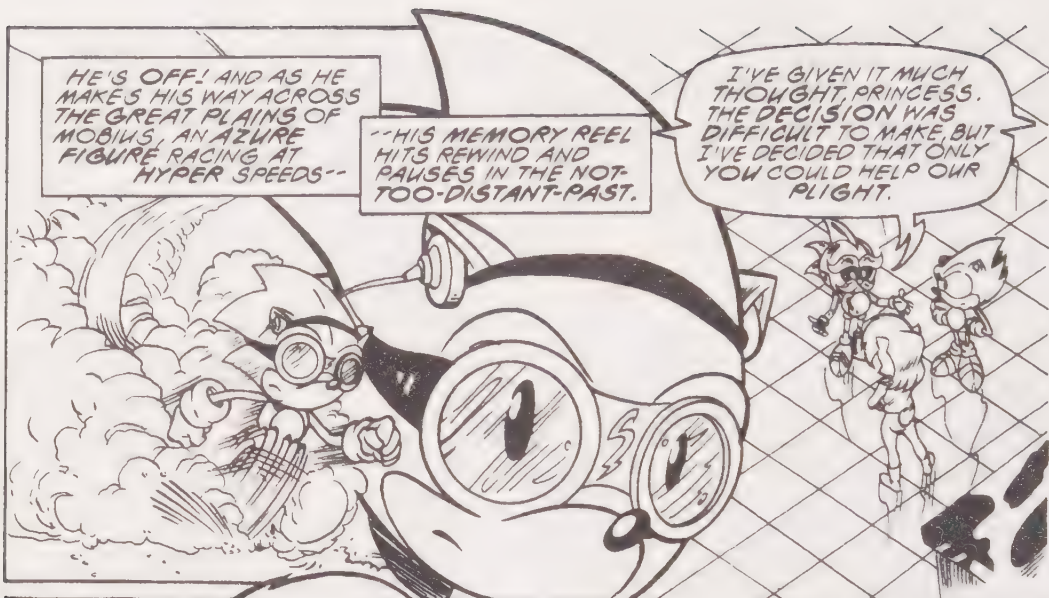
LIKE SOME SKYBOUND SUBMARINE, THE AIRSHIP GENTLY BREAKS THE CLOUD BANK'S SURFACE AS SHE DELIVERS HER FELONIOUS CARGO.

AND WHO ARE THE CRIMINALS IN QUESTION? LET'S FIND OUT...

LIEUTENANT SMILEY! COMMANDER FLEMING! ISN'T THAT WARLORD KODOS? WHAT IN THE WORLD HAPPENED TO HIM?

IT'S QUITE A STORY, BUT IF YOU'VE GOT A MINUTE, I'LL TELL YOU...





HE'S OFF! AND AS HE
MAKES HIS WAY ACROSS
THE GREAT PLAINS OF
MOBIUS, AN AZURE
FIGURE RACING AT
HYPER SPEEDS--

--HIS MEMORY REEL
HITS REWIND AND
PAUSES IN THE NOT-
TOO-DISTANT-PAST.

I'VE GIVEN IT MUCH
THOUGHT, PRINCESS.
THE DECISION WAS
DIFFICULT TO MAKE, BUT
I'VE DECIDED THAT ONLY
YOU COULD HELP OUR
FLIGHT.



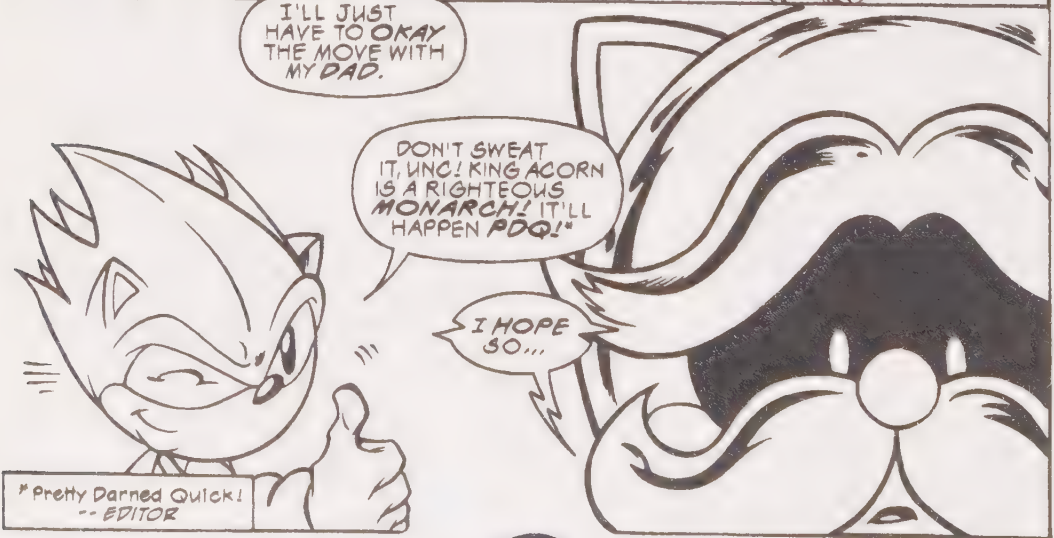
I THINK
YOUR IDEA IS
BRILLANT!

SINCE
MOBOTROPOLIS
IS TOO CROWDED,
KNOTHOLE WOULD
BE THE IDEAL PLACE
FOR THE ROBOT-
ICIZED MOBIANS
TO LIVE UNTIL WE
FIND A WAY FOR
EVERYONE TO LIVE
IN HARMONY.

WOW! A REAL
ROBOTVILLE,
AMY!

THAT RULES
COMPLETELY!

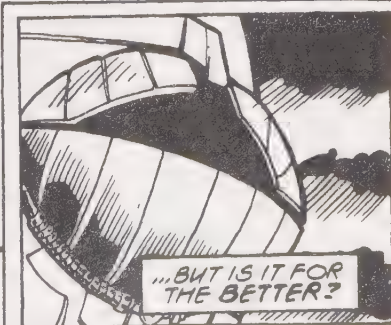
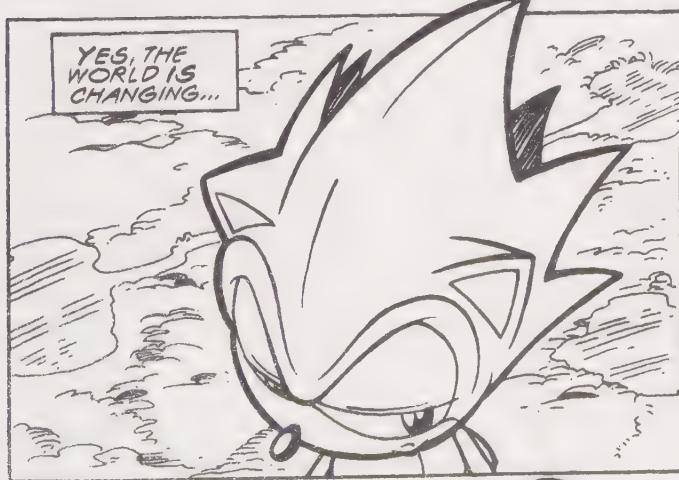
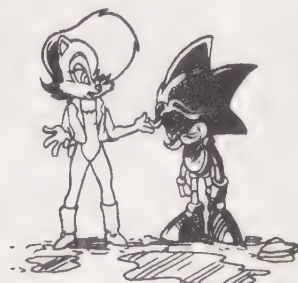
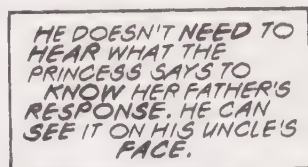
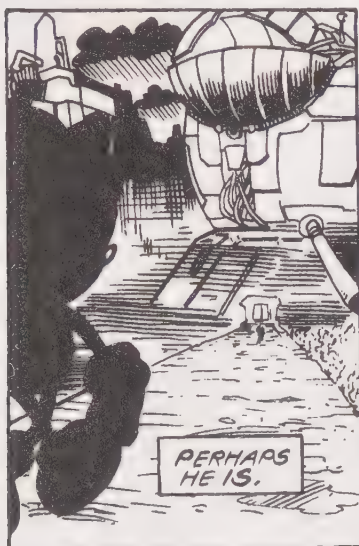
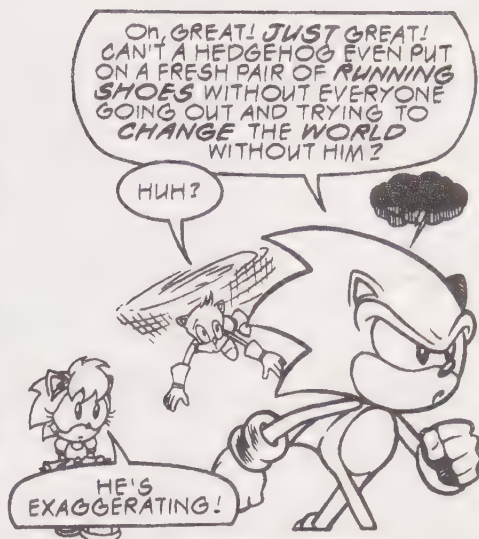
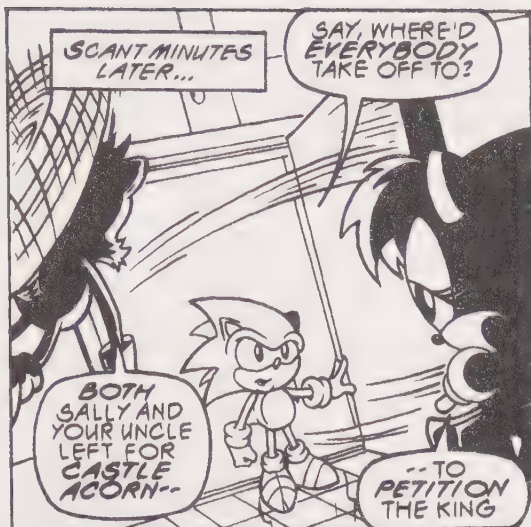
I'LL JUST
HAVE TO OKAY
THE MOVE WITH
MY DAD.



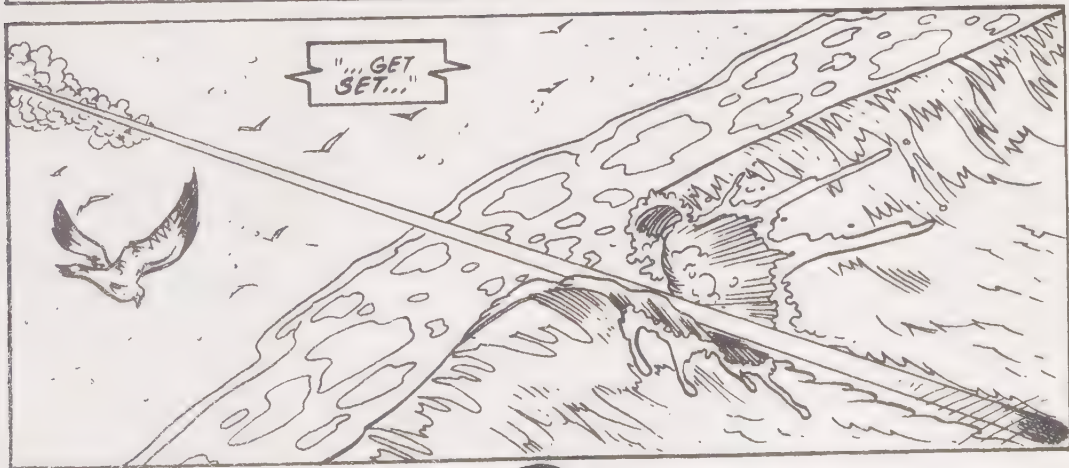
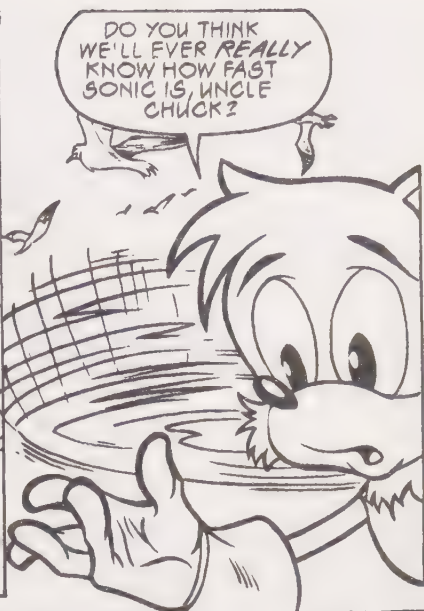
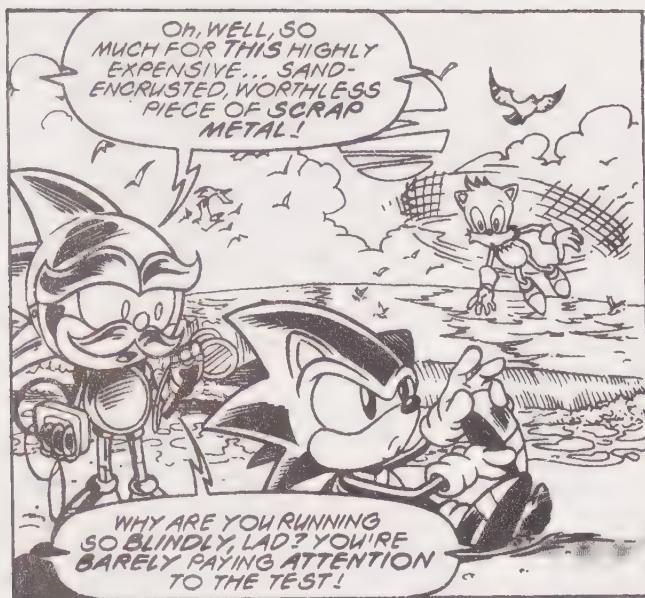
DON'T SWEAT
IT, UNCLE KING ACORN
IS A RIGHTEOUS
MONARCH! IT'LL
HAPPEN PDQ!

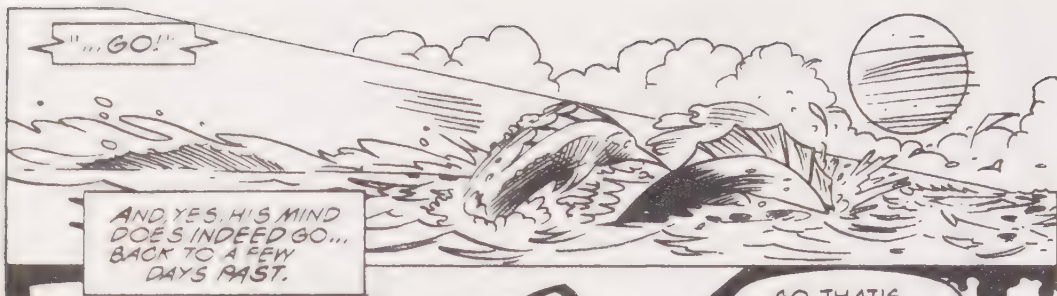
I HOPE
SO...

"Pretty Darned Quick!"
-- EDITOR









AND, YES, HIS MIND
DOES INDEED GO...
BACK TO A FEW
DAYS PAST.

SO THAT'S
PRETTY MUCH THE
SCORE, GOOD
BUDDY!

NOW, LET
ME GET THIS
STRAIGHT,
ROTOR...

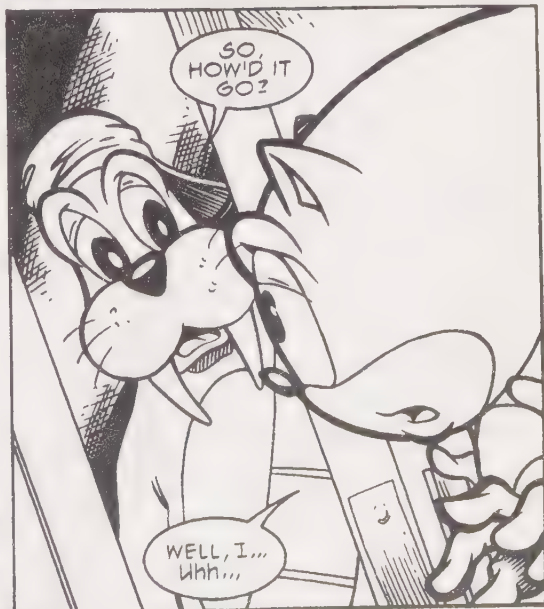
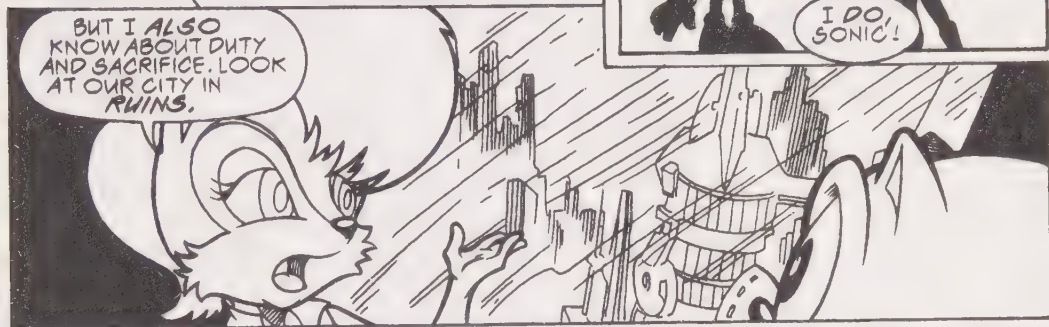
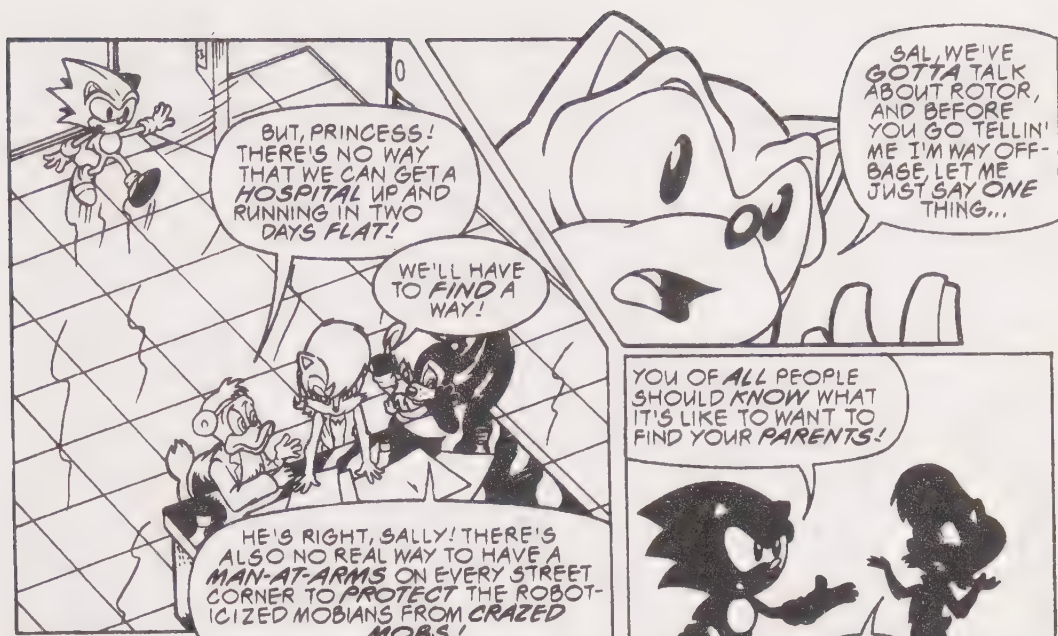
YOU WANNA TAKE A LITTLE
TIME OFF TO LOOK FOR YOUR
FOLKS WHO'VE BEEN MISSING
SINCE THIS WHOLE MESS WITH
ROBUTNIK STARTED... BUT THE
PRINCESS SAID NO?

ROTOR, BELIEVE YOU ME
WHEN I SAY THAT I KNOW
EXACTLY HOW YOU FEEL.
LET ME HANDLE THIS.

I KNEW
YOU WOULD
GOOD BUDDY
I KNEW YOU
WOULD.

WELL, IF A
GUY CAN'T
FOLLOW HIS
HEART, WHAT
CAN HE
FOLLOW?

HEY! TALL,
DARK AND
GRUESOME,
LET ME IN.



7 HE GULAG...

I KNOW!
HER NAME IS
UMA ARACHNIS,
BUT BEYOND
THAT AND THE
FACT THAT SHE'S
A NINJA
WARRIOR, SHE'S
A MYSTERY TO
EVERYONE!

...AND THIS ONE
I'VE NEVER EVEN
HEARD OF.

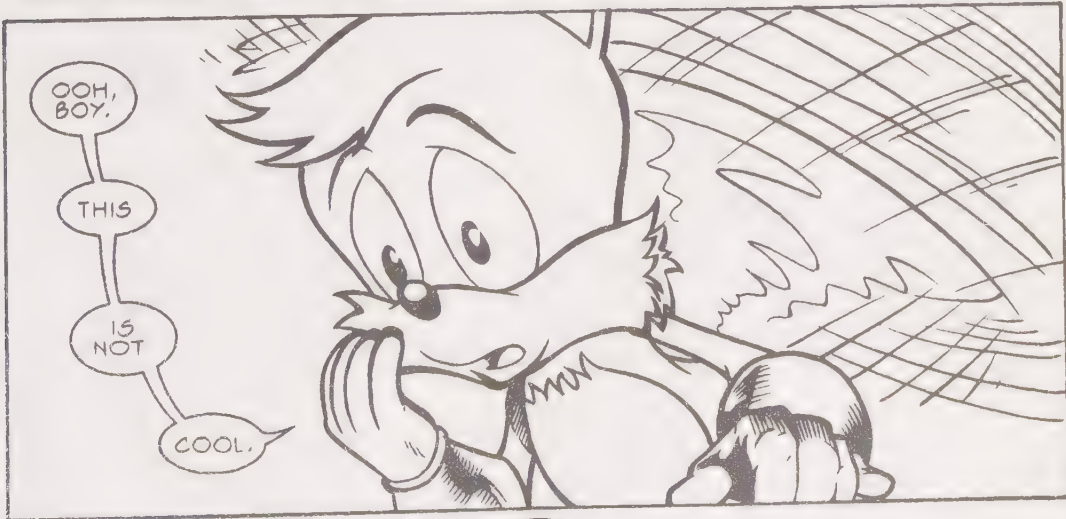
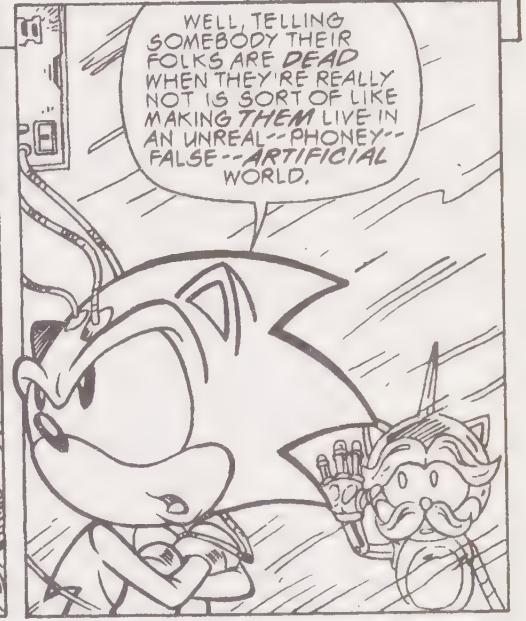
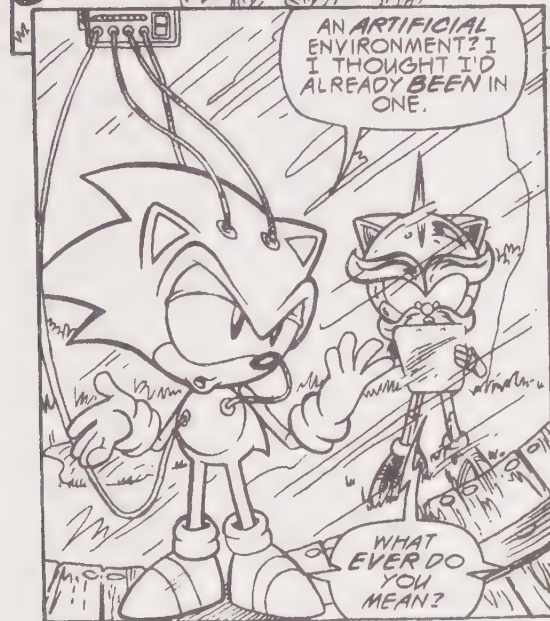
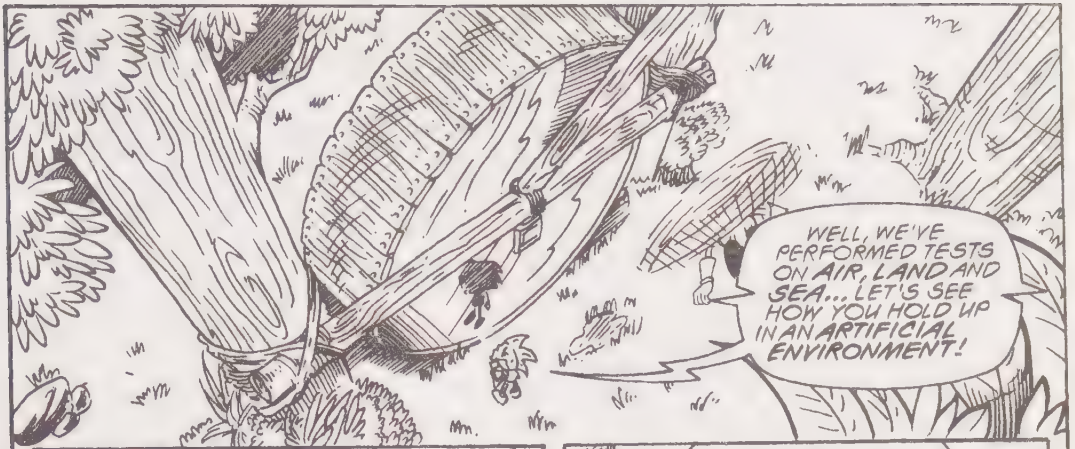
WELL, WE DO
KNOW THAT SHE'S
ANOTHER OF IXIS'
FLUNKIES AND
THAT MEANS SHE'S
DEFINITELY BAD
NEWS!

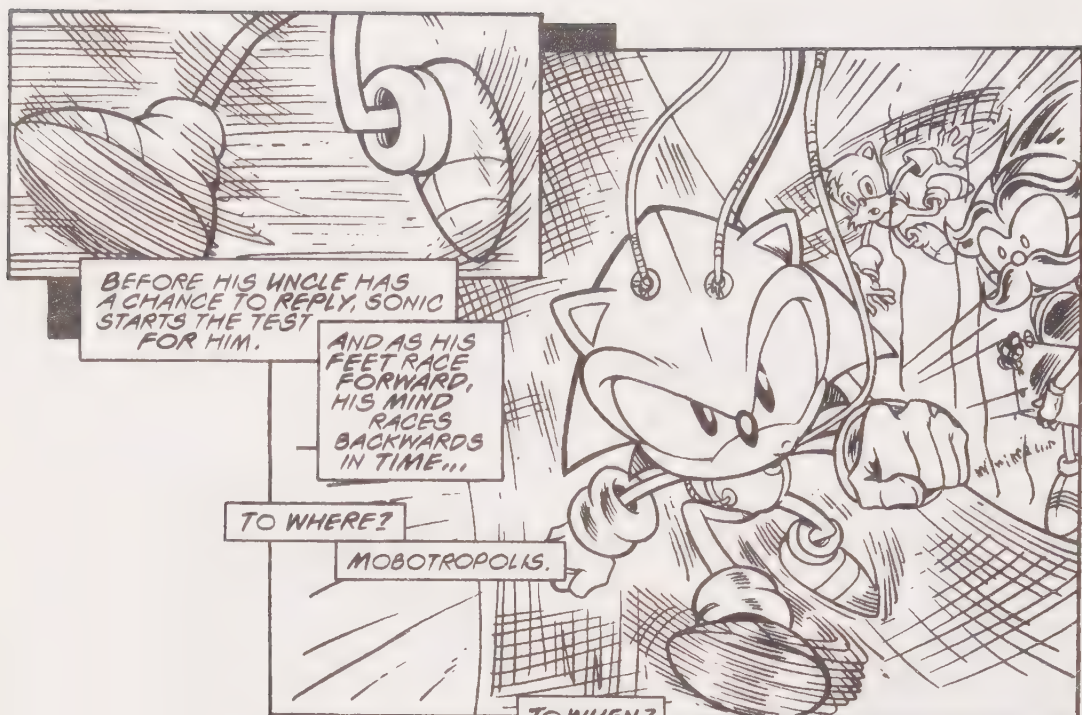
"NO MATTER HOW
WICKED SHE
WAS, NO ONE
DESERVES TO BE
FROZEN IN A
CRYSTAL STATE!"

IT'S HER
OWN FAULT!
SHE AND KODOS
SHOULD HAVE
KNOWN THAT NO
GOOD COULD
BEFALL THEM
WHILE WORKING
WITH AN EVIL
WIZARD LIKE
IXIS.

Hmm... WELL,
IF IXIS NAUGUS HAS
INDEED RETURNED...
AND THERE'S POWER
TO BE EXPLOITED...
I HAVE TO FIND
IT!

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BEFORE HIS UNCLE HAS
A CHANCE TO REPLY, SONIC
STARTS THE TEST
FOR HIM.

AND AS HIS
FEET RACE
FORWARD,
HIS MIND
RACES
BACKWARDS
IN TIME...

TO WHERE?

MOBOTROPOLIS.

TO WHEN?

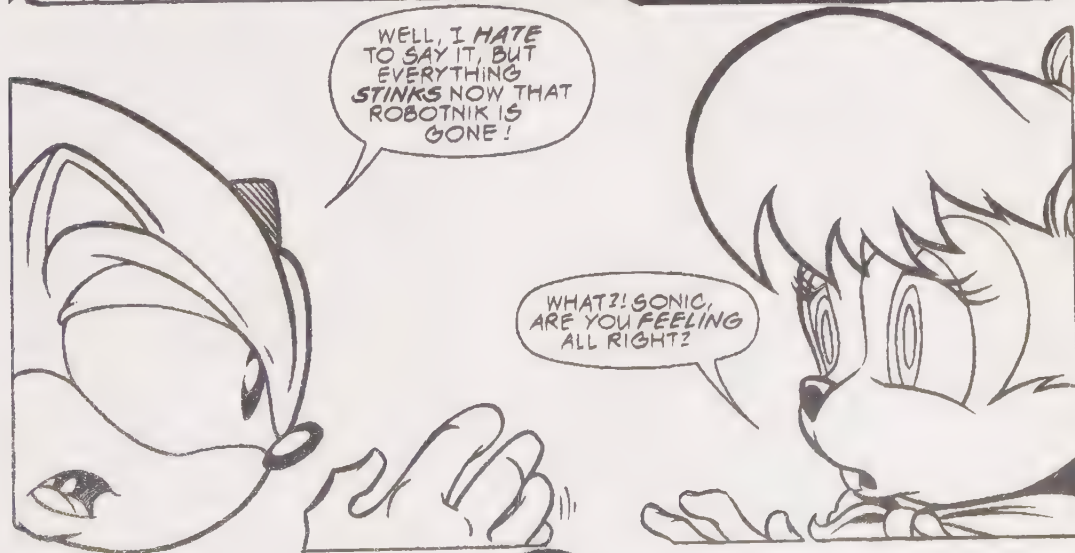
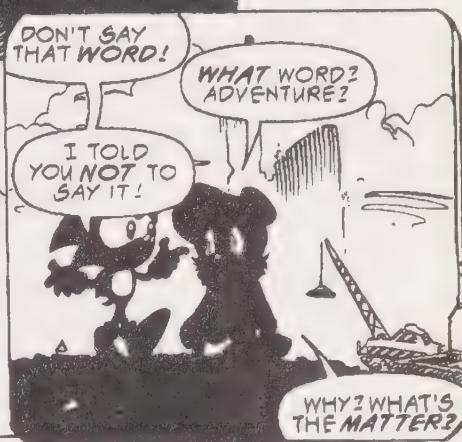
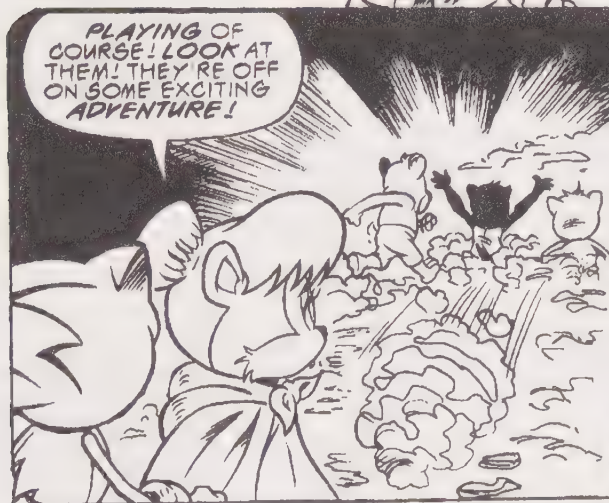
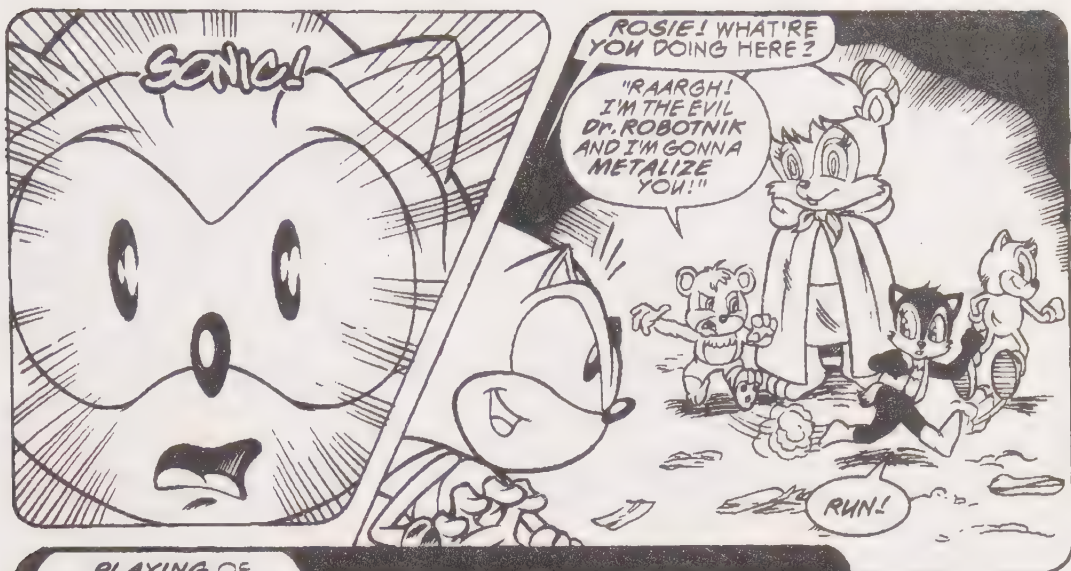
A FEW
HOURS
AGO.

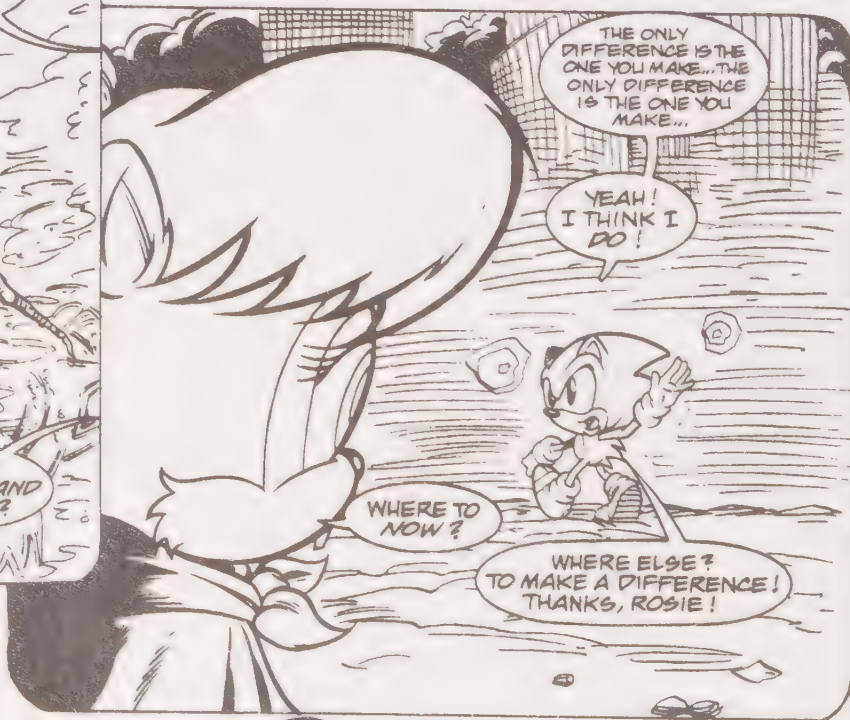
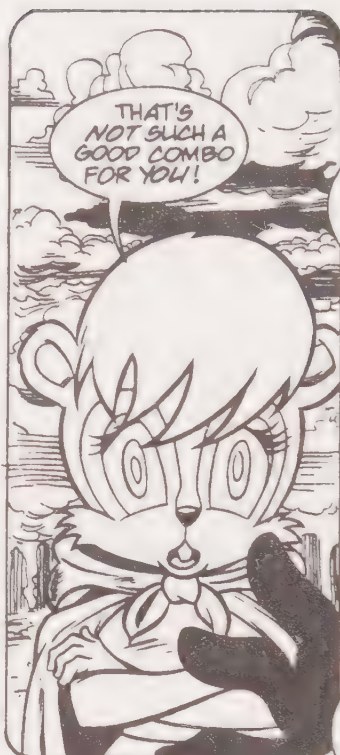
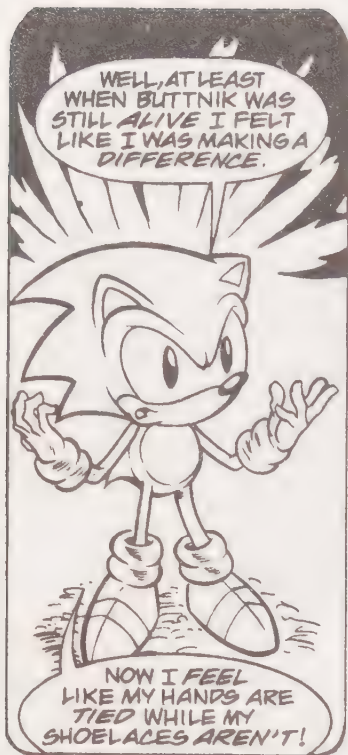
HOW?

DON'T ASK
KEEP READING...

Yawn

...SINCE I'M
FORCED TO SIT ON
THIS DUMB COUNCIL,
MAYBE I SHOULD
PETITION TO RENAME
THIS TOWN
"DULLSVILLE"!





NOT THE GULAG...

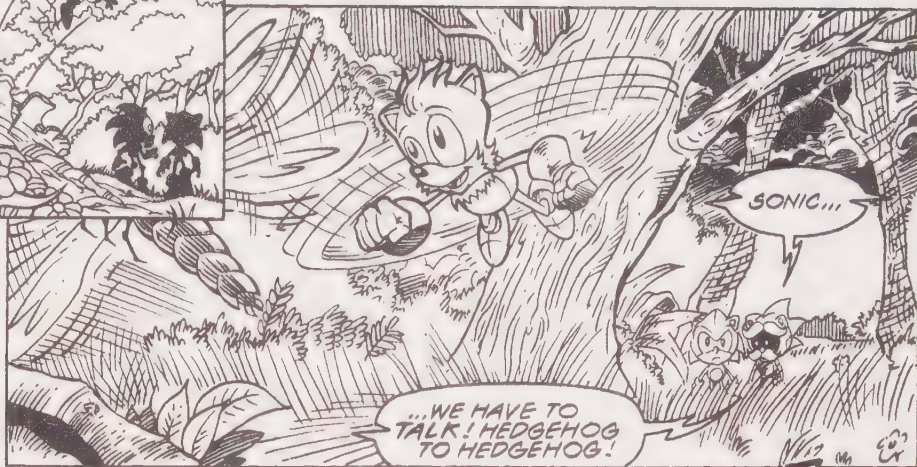
...BUT SOMEWHERE CLOSE
ENOUGH TO IT THAT THE
REMOTE-CONTROLLED
RADIO SIGNAL EMITTED
FROM BENEATH SNIVELY'S
THUMB...

...HAS A DEFINITE
EFFECT!

THE EGGBOOTS HAVE
ARRIVED!

PROGRAMMED TO TRACK UNIQUE
ENERGY SIGNATURES, THEY
ROCKET TOWARDS THE HEAVENS
TO DO THE BIDDING OF THEIR
INCARCERATED MASTER—FIND
THE WIZARD, IXIS NAUGUS!

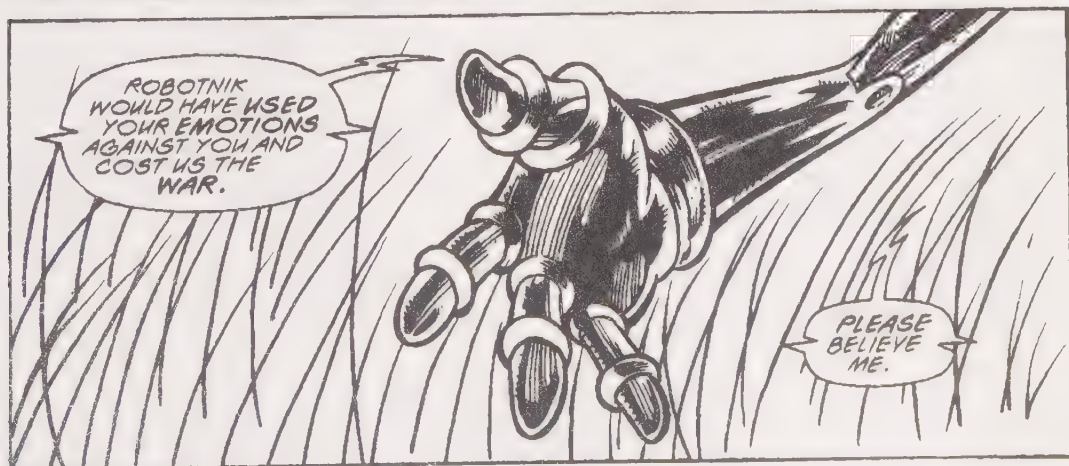
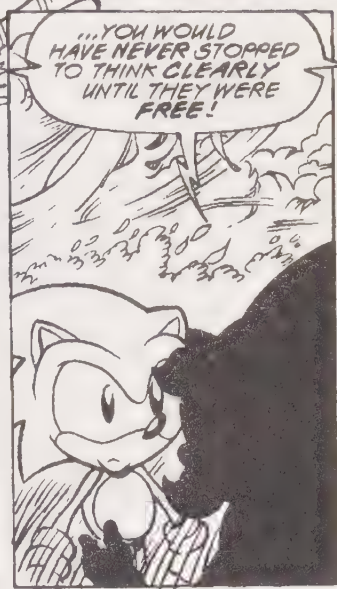
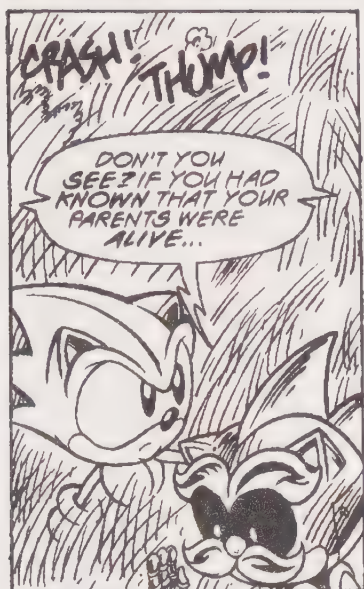
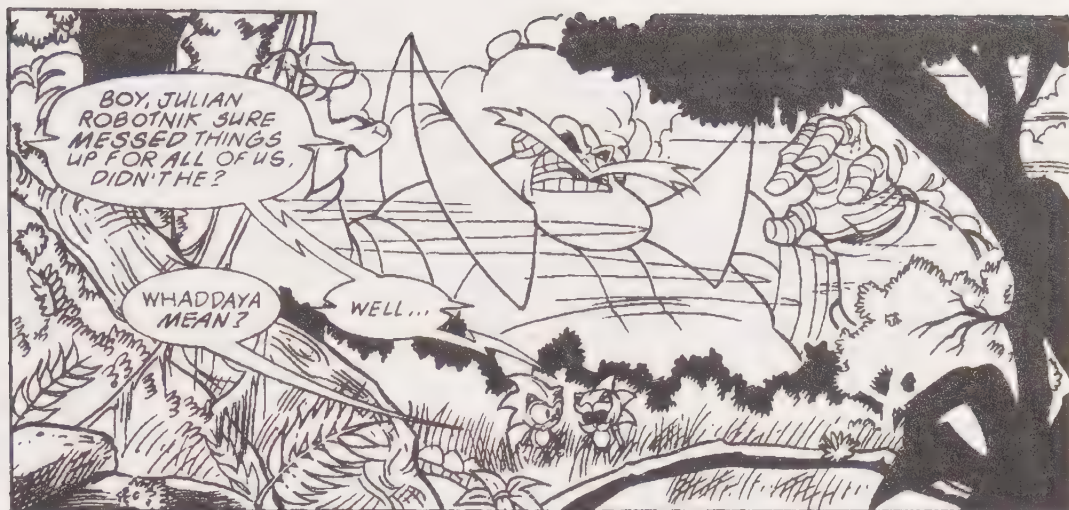
THE GREAT
FOREST...

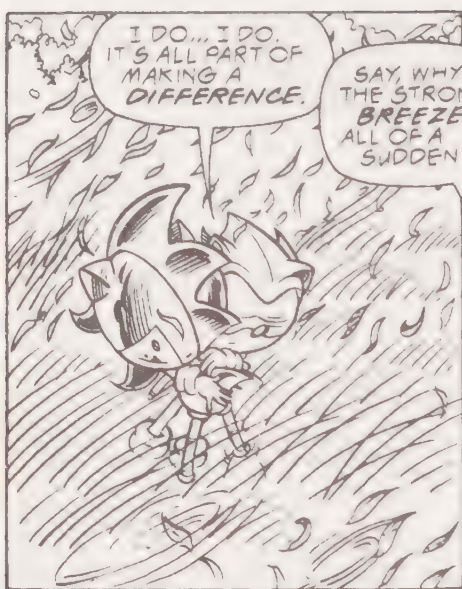


AND I DON'T
MEAN ABOUT YOUR
TOP SPEED...

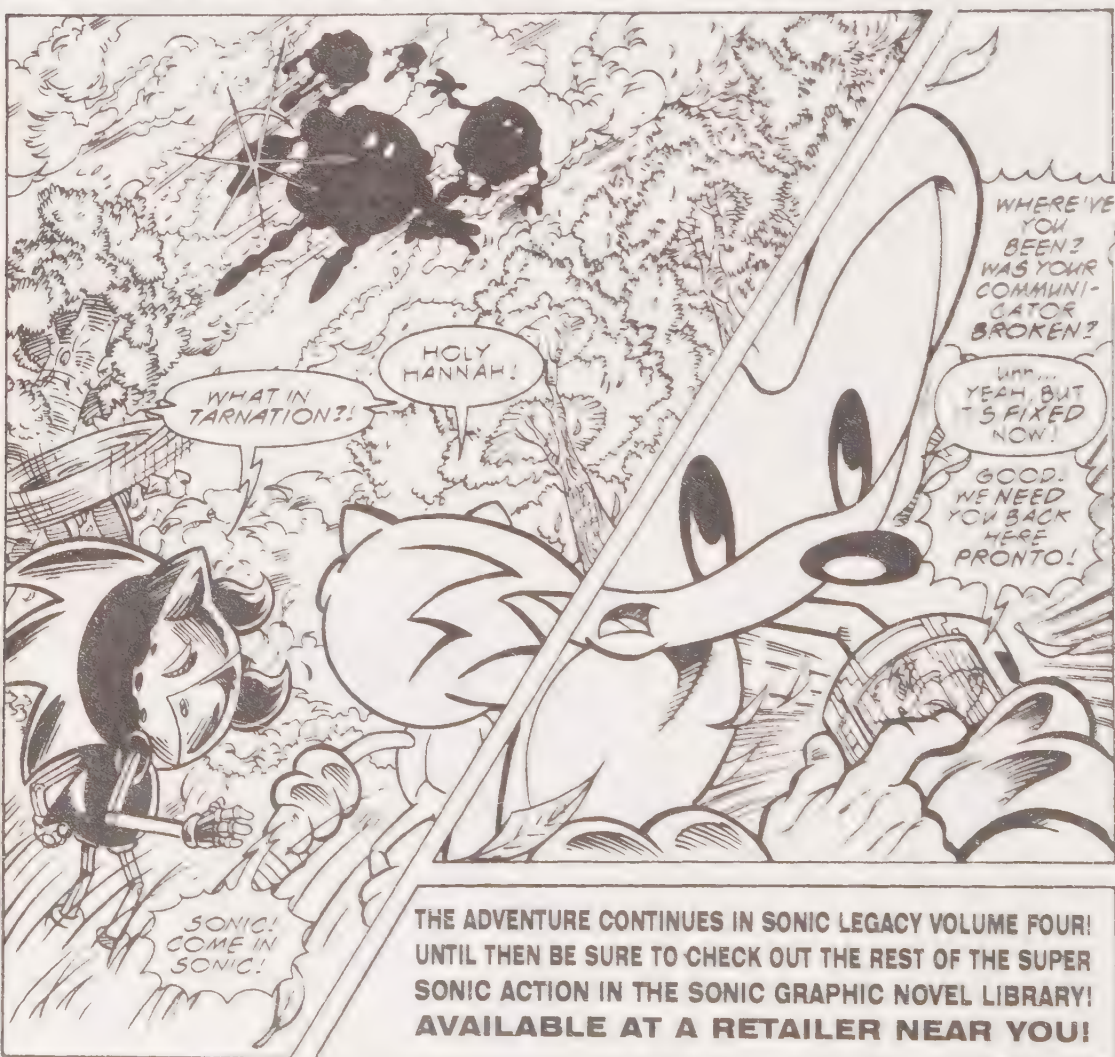
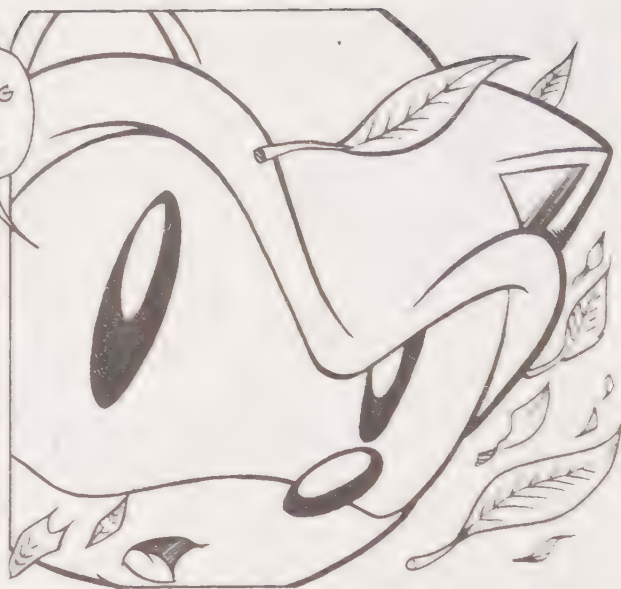
...OR WHETHER
YOU CAN RUN ON
LAND, SEA OR
AIR.

'I WANT TO TALK
ABOUT... YOUR
FOLKS...





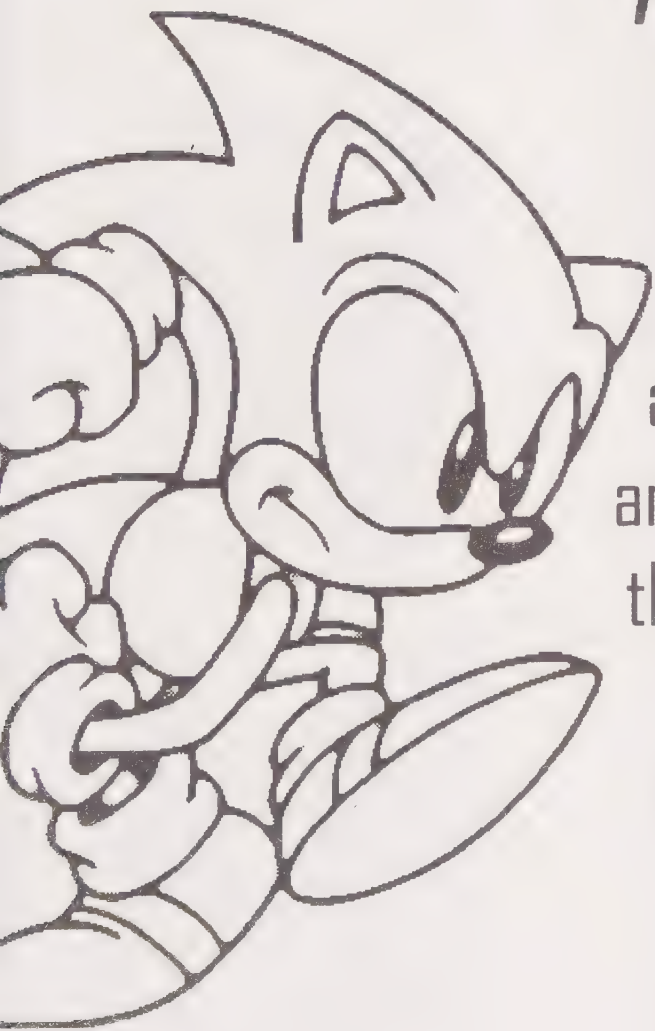
SAY, WHY
THE STRONG
BREEZE
ALL OF A
SUDDEN?



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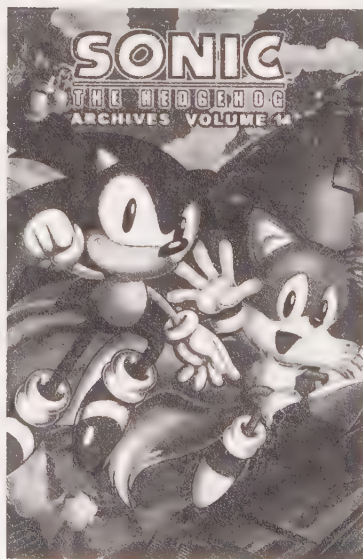
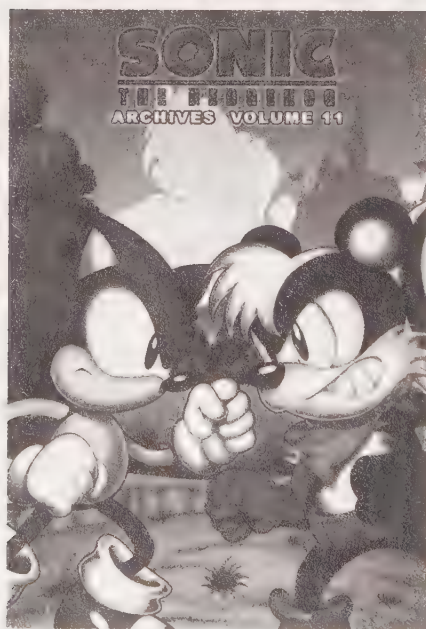
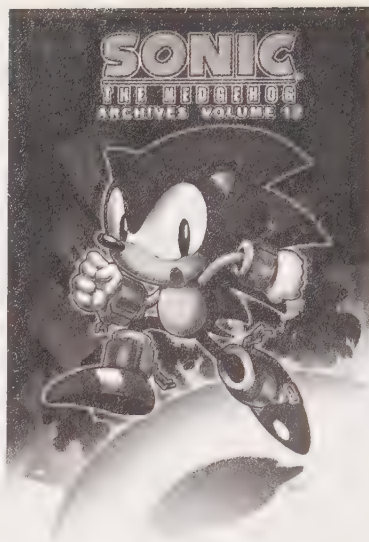
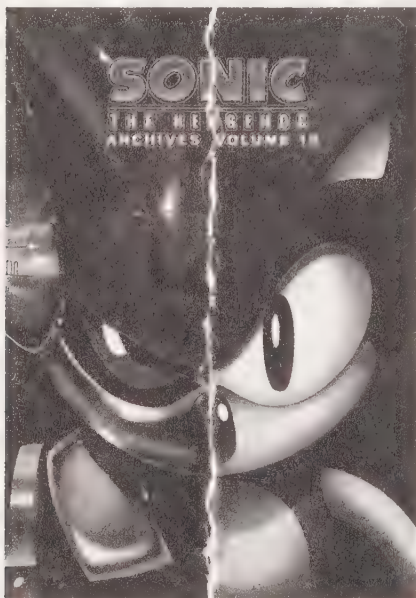
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and artwork from
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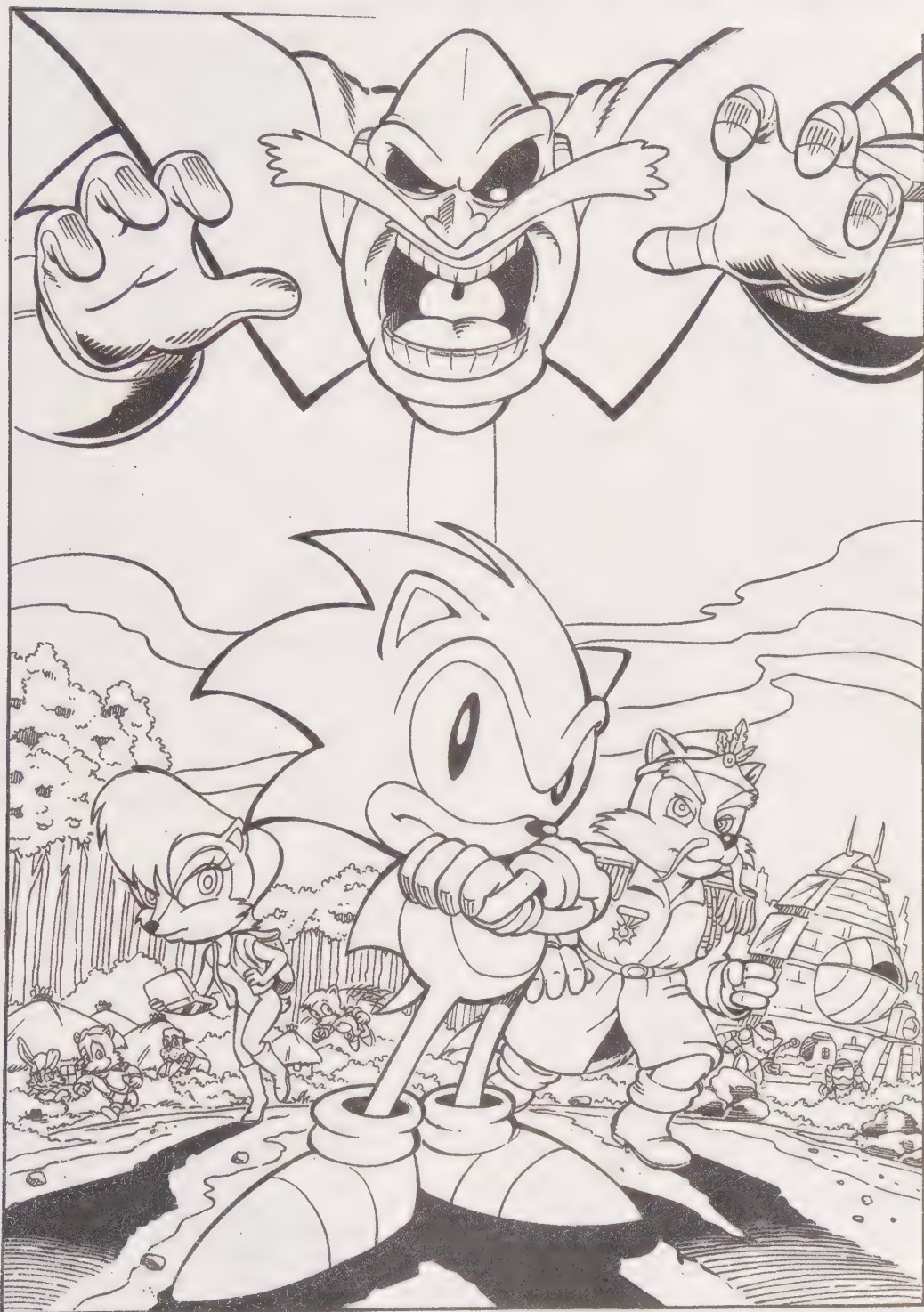
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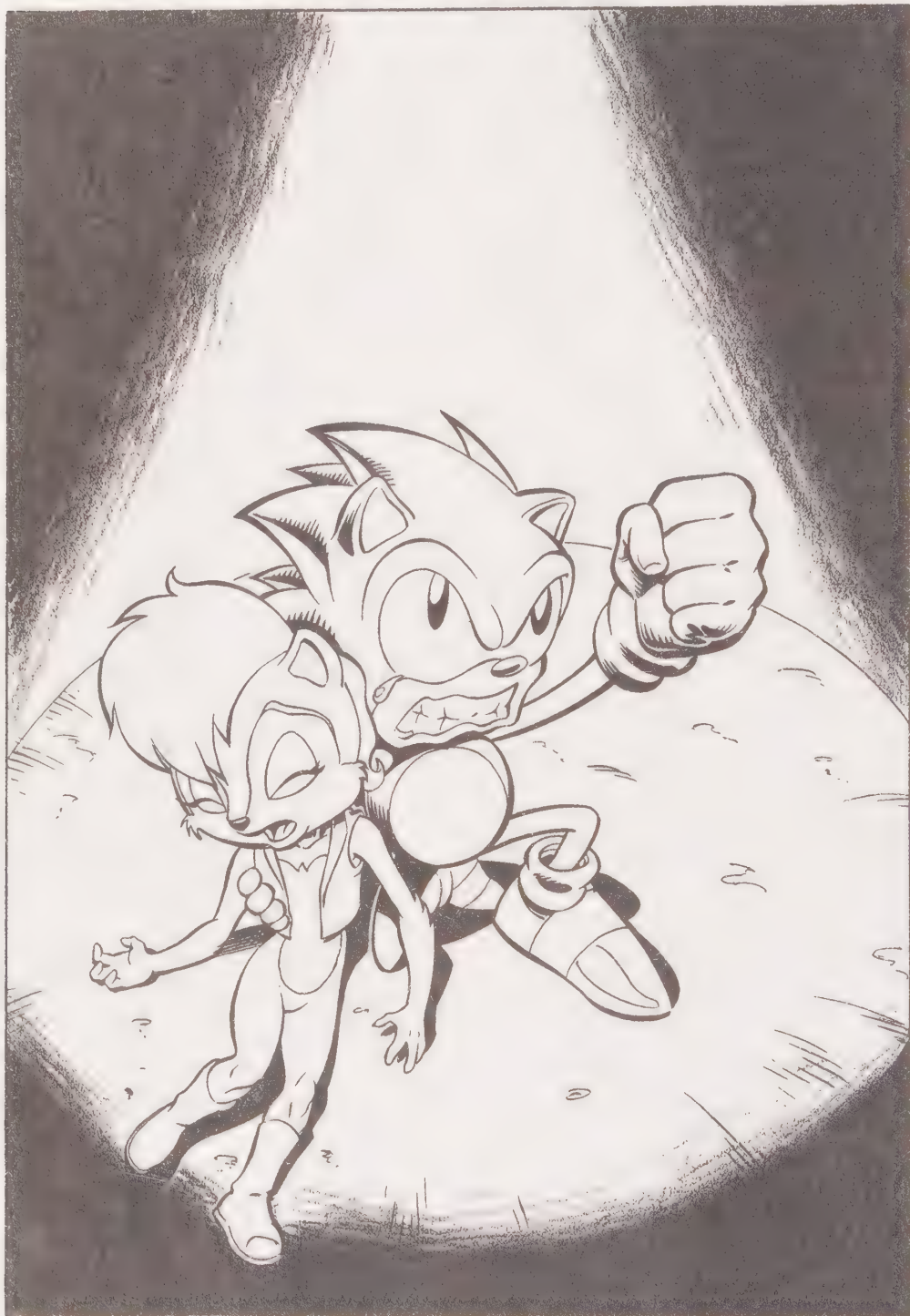


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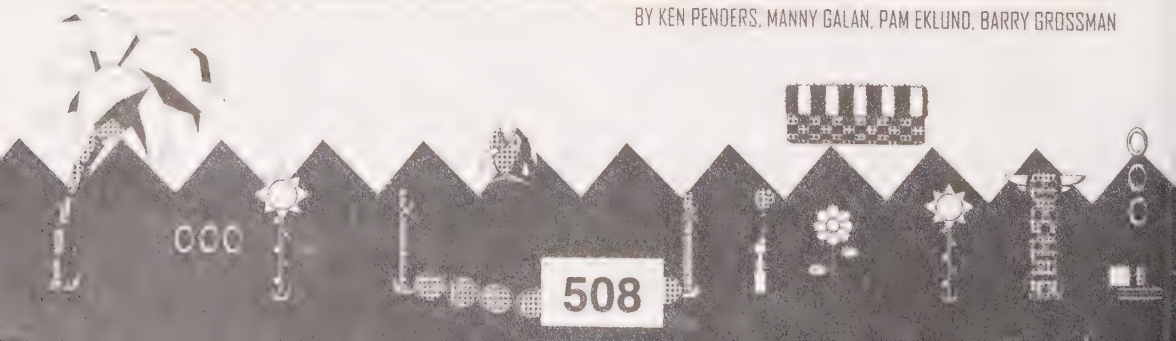


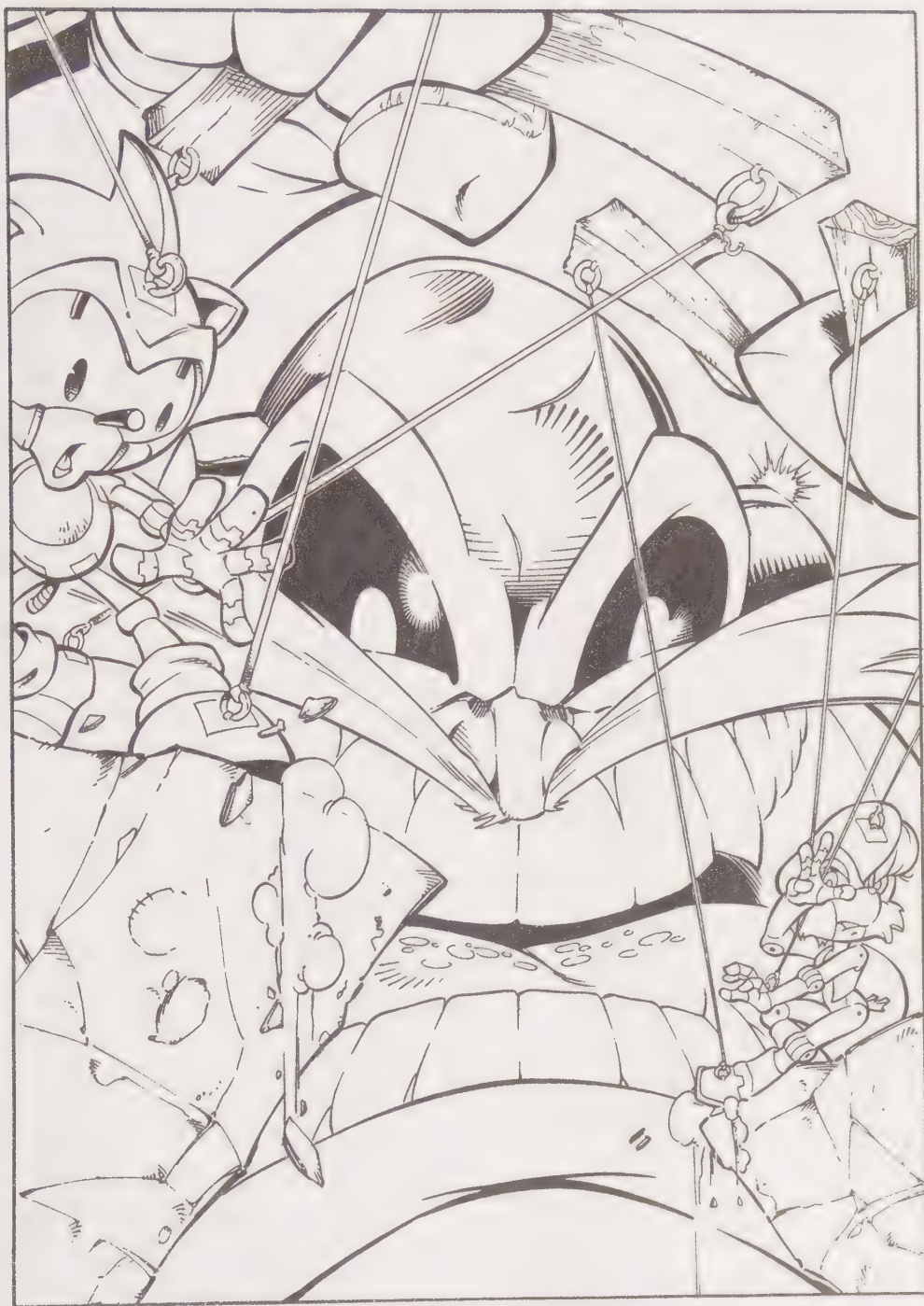
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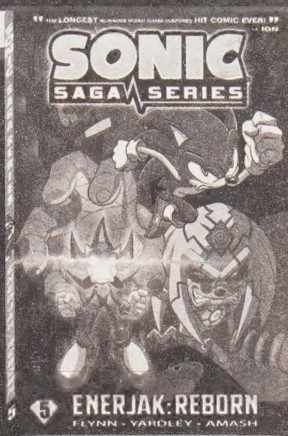
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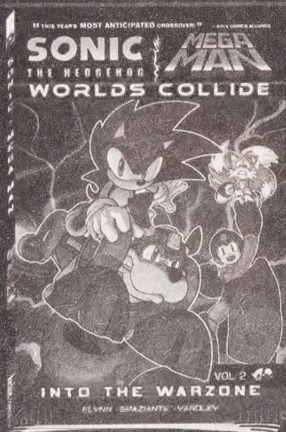


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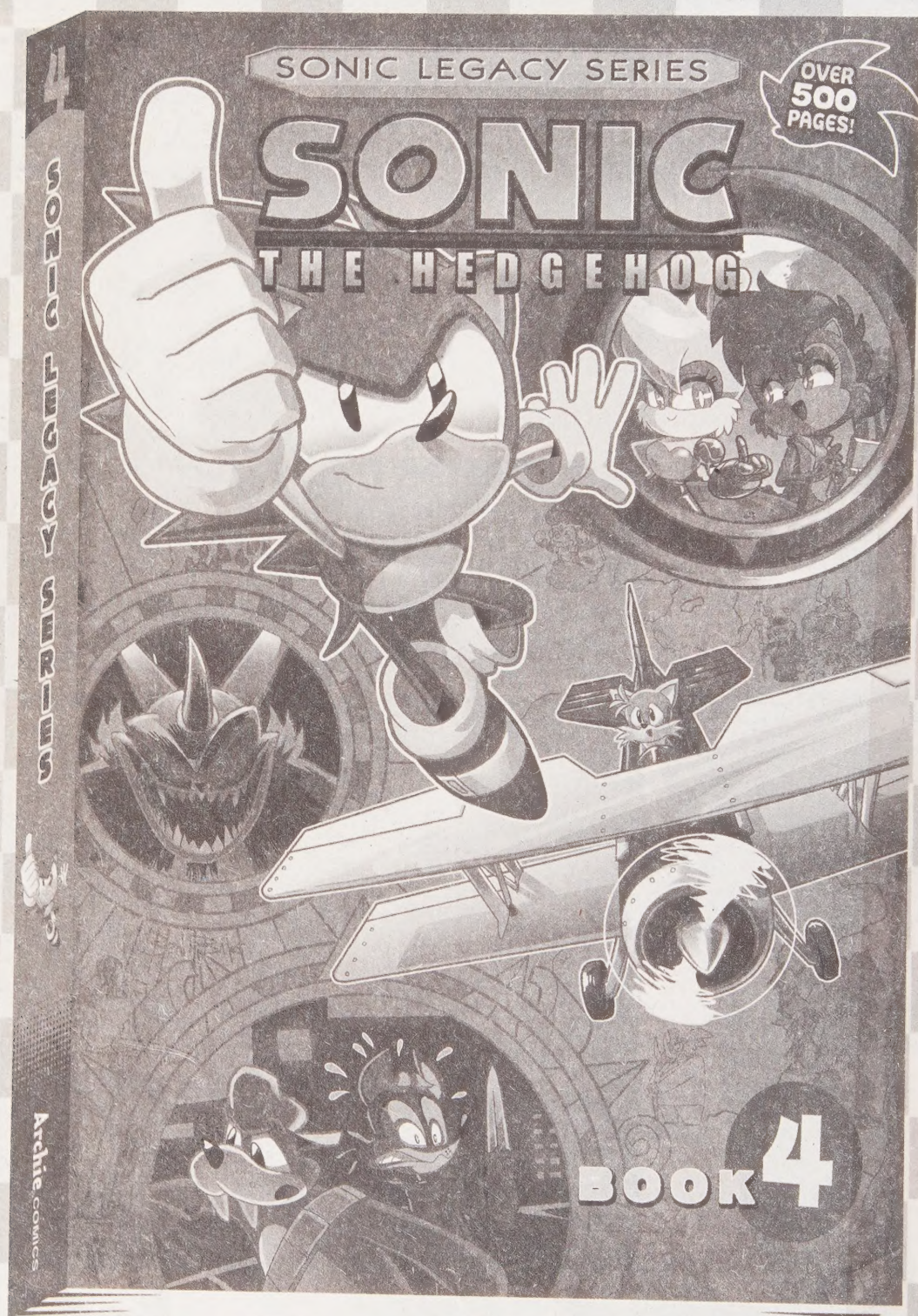
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